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## ROOSEVELT TELLS OF EPIC SEA PARLEY WITH PRIME MINISTER: HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL INTERCHANGE OF INFORMATION MADE

### Confident Russian Resistance Will Continue Through Winter

#### ROUSING WELCOME FOR PRESIDENT

DETAILS OF THE EPIC MEETING BETWEEN HIMSELF AND MR. CHURCHILL, PRIME MINISTER OF BRITAIN, AT SEA LAST WEEK WERE REVEALED BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HELD ON BOARD THE PRESIDENTIAL YACHT POTOMAC SHORTLY AFTER SHE HAD DOCKED AT 2 P.M. ON SATURDAY, AT ROCKLAND.

The President agreed that he and Mr. Churchill conferred for more than one day and said that there had been an interchange of views relating to the present and future, and swapping of information which was markedly successful.

The President of the United States was confident that the Russian resistance would continue throughout the winter. He added that Russia needs immediately available material for next summer's campaign. There was also the need for other things which could arrive by the time the spring campaign opened.

#### PERMISSION REFUSED

MR. H. L. STIMSON, U.S. SECRETARY OF WAR, delivered a striking and interesting broadcast speech on the present international situation and its relation to recent developments, on Saturday last. The speech was relayed by almost every American station. As this was not done by the B.B.C. the HONGKONG DAILY PRESS applied to the Postmaster General for permission to reproduce Mr. Stimson's speech in its columns, but the application was unfortunately refused.

#### NAZI ACTIVITIES IN AMERICAS

##### Cordell Hull Warns Of Invasion Peril

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, stated at the Press conference yesterday that he had frequently given warning of the danger facing the United States and other countries in the Western Hemisphere through an invasion aimed at some point in South America, particularly the regions producing surplus raw materials.

Mr. Hull was replying to questions regarding growing reports of Nazi activities in South and Central America which, reporters suggested, might have been considered at the Churchill-Roosevelt conference.

When asked what efforts are being made by the United States and other American Republics to counter Nazi activity in this continent, Mr. Hull replied that "one did not tip off his hand (not to disclose) to others who were doing their utmost to expand all over the world by force."

#### Many Germans In Iran

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The British and Soviet representatives have made a new demarche to Iran.

THE BRITISH MINISTER and Soviet Ambassador at Teheran have again drawn the attention of the Iranian Government to the concern felt by their two Governments in regard to the excessively large number of Germans in Iran.

IT IS FEARED THAT the Iranian Government has not appreciated the urgency of the problem and the British and Soviet envoys have repeated their recommendation that effective measures should be taken at a very early date if the potential menace arising from the activity of these Germans is to be removed.

Mr. Roosevelt also said that not a single section of a single continent went undiscussed during the conference at sea. He declined to reveal where on the high seas the conference took place or how long it lasted. Reasons for the silence, Mr. Roosevelt said, were obvious and added that he personally had objected to the prior announcement of his landing at Rockland.

#### "CHIEF GUARDIAN OF PACIFIC"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—At a Press conference yesterday Mr. Cordell Hull declined to comment on a London report that as a result of the Churchill-Roosevelt conference the United States were expected to become the "chief guardian of the Pacific."

HUNDREDS OF SPECTATORS GATHERED ON THE WATERFRONT OFF THE OLD SEAPORT OF ROCKLAND TO WELCOME PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT ON HIS ARRIVAL.

The streets of the President's route from the waterfront to the special train (by which he left for

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## A "Showdown" In The Pacific Seen In The Near Future

A "showdown" in the Pacific in the near future in view of alleged JAPANESE plans for an attack on the SOVIET FAR EASTERN ARMY and deterioration of relations between CHINA and VICHY are forecast in well-informed quarters in CHUNGKING.

Chinese sources say that Britain and the United States are taking positive measures to help China to defend the Burma Road in the event of a Japanese attempt to cut China's supply lifeline, says Reuter.

Britain is credited in Chungking with the construction of eight big air bases in Burma as well as three new highways in northern Burma for maintaining communications with China in the event of the Japanese bombing the railway connexion at Rangoon with Kunming, capital of the Chinese province of Yunnan. Despite Japanese pressure on Thailand, well-informed Chinese

#### STEADY POURING IN

SINGAPORE, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Evidence of the steady pouring in of Japanese troops into Indo-China was given by 30 British evacuees from Saigon when they arrived yesterday on board a French steamer.

They declared that 80,000 to 100,000 had already arrived but their equipment appeared to be sufficient for 100,000.

A neutral observer declared it was generally agreed that the French residents were now completely pro-British and look on a British victory as the only hope of preventing Indo-China ending its history as a Japanese colony.

## CHIANG EXPECTED IN MOSCOW SHORTLY

MARSHAL CHIANG KAI-SHEK is expected in Moscow shortly, according to the Diplomatic correspondent of the Labourite Sunday newspaper, REYNOLD'S NEWS, says Reuter.

The correspondent says that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will discuss military problems with the Red Army chiefs and says that it will be the first time that the Chinese Generalissimo and M. Stalin will meet.

A Chinese military mission is already in Moscow.

It is understood that any threatening move by Japan against Russia would be answered by a Soviet-Chinese pact of mutual assistance.

The linking up of the Red Army and the Chinese forces would menace Japan with a pincer movement.

In the meantime, continues the correspondent, the last of the four different peace offers by Tokyo has been rejected by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

Japan evidently wants "to neutralise" China before the Far East war flames up in earnest.

The correspondent says that though there is now a very heavy demand on the Soviet war industries, she has not stopped or reduced her supply of arms and planes to the Chinese forces.

## CREW MEMBERS QUIT FRENCH LINER

MANILA, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Four members of the crew of the French liner, Marechal Joffre, have quit the ship to join General de Gaulle.

It is recalled that the vessel was scheduled to sail for Japan yesterday but delayed its departure until today.

The passenger list includes many Japanese women, children and fishermen.

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## FIGHTING ON GIGANTIC SCALE IS STILL PROCEEDING IN SOUTHERN UKRAINE: SITUATION HAS YET TO BE CLARIFIED: GRANDIOSE NAZI CLAIMS

HIGHLIGHTS ON THE RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN CONTINUE TO PLAY UPON SOUTHERN UKRAINE WHERE FIGHTING ON A GIGANTIC SCALE IS STILL PROCEEDING.

The situation there has yet to be clarified and Saturday's communiques from both High Commands do little to pierce the fog of war.

The fact, however, that Marshal Budenny is still able to fight back tenaciously tends to throw doubt upon some of the more grandiose German claims of the past few days and to indicate that his forces still retain a degree of manoeuvrability which does not interlock with German descriptions of a precipitous retreat.

SATURDAY'S GERMAN HIGH COMMAND COMMUNIQUE IS ALSO NOTEWORTHY IN THE RESPECT THAT PLACE NAMES ARE SIGNIFICANTLY OMITTED.

Loss of territory which the Russians have had to yield in this region cannot be lightly dismissed because of its industrial and agricultural wealth but territory is not everything and the Germans have been called upon to pay a heavy price. That they are still paying both in men and material is evident.

Death announcements in German papers, in the course of three days, reveal deaths in action of one general—presumably General Muelverstedt, Commander of the famous S.S. Division and, until the outbreak of war, Chief of the Gestapo—and five regimental commanders.

#### SOVIET COMMUNIQUE

The following is the text of a communique of the Soviet Information Bureau issued at 10.30 p.m. (G.M.T.) on Saturday:—

"During Aug. 16 our troops continued fighting the enemy along the whole front. Our air force in co-operation with the land forces, continued to deal blows to enemy troops and attacked aircraft on his aerodromes.

"According to precise data now available 26 German aircraft were destroyed on Aug. 14 and not 21 as previously reported.

"On Aug. 15, 19 German aircraft were destroyed. We lost 24 aircraft."

## Kremlin Must Bear Burden

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—"If Japanese-Soviet relations worsen the Kremlin alone must bear the burden of responsibility," declares the Hochi Shimbun yesterday in commenting on reports that Britain, the United States and the Soviet have reached an understanding regarding the distribution of war materials.

Japan cannot remain indifferent to reports, the paper says, because it may mean "Russia has been deceived by Anglo-Saxon diplomacy and is digging her own grave."

"Even allowing for Soviet war difficulties, it is extremely regrettable if it is true that Moscow has decided to pool war materials with the anti-Axis allies because Russia knows well that Japanese efforts to settle the Chinese hostilities are being delayed by Anglo-American obstruction."

#### SMUTS-AUCHINLECK CONFERENCE

PRETORIA, Aug. 18 (Reuter).—Field-Marshal Smuts flew to Cairo, or Aug. 10 to visit the South African troops and confer with Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, it was announced in an official bulletin.

This was Marshal Smuts' third visit to South African troops in the north.

## CLAIM CAPTURE OF NIKOLAIEV

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The German High Command, in a communique today, claims the capture of Nikolaiev, the Soviet port at the mouth of the River Bug and 50 miles to the north of Odessa.

The communique adds that booty and prisoners are steadily mounting. Operations on other parts of the front are continuing satisfactorily.

## MASS ATTACKS ON CHUNGKING

### Extravagant Claims Made By Japs.

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—"Day and night, for seven days, mass formation of Japanese naval planes have poured an unceasing torrent of bombs into Chungking," states the Press section of the Japanese Fleet in Central China waters.

The statement adds that other planes attacked Suining, in south-east of Kiangsi, as well as other points and claims that munitions factories, stores, trains and junks loaded with war materials were destroyed.

Landing parties are stated to have "severely mopped up" Chinese troops at various points along the Yangtze in the Provinces of Hupei, Hunan, Kiangsi and Anhwei, especially on the northern bank of Lake Tungting in north Hunan.

#### INDIAN EXPORTS TO JAPAN

SIMLA, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The export of Indian goods to Japan has been further restricted by a Commerce Department notification under which a permit from the Export Trade Controller is necessary for exports to Japan for goods previously on the permissible list.

It is learned that licences already granted for export to Japan of some war essentials have been cancelled.

## Japanese Refuse Clearance Papers For Pres. Coolidge

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The State Department disclosed that the Japanese Government has refused to grant clearance papers for the American steamship PRESIDENT COOLIDGE if it sought to remove 100 private American citizens now in Japan.

The State Department announces that the Japanese Foreign Office has indicated that the Japanese Government is willing to permit the Coolidge to enter the Japanese port for the purpose only of taking off American official personnel.

Of the 100 Americans desirous of leaving Japan about 20 were officials.

The State Department explains that the question of evacuating Americans from Japan has been discussed by the State Department, the American Embassy at Tokyo and the Japanese Foreign Office and adds: "The State Department is continuing to give close and serious attention to the question of providing transportation for American citizens desiring to return to the United States from Japan as well as other Americans elsewhere."

#### POLICY OF ASSISTING

The State Department announcement explains that the Coolidge was scheduled to leave Shanghai on Aug. 8 for the United States and, in accordance with the policy of assisting Americans abroad to return home during the present world disturbance, it was

## Today's News Summary

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WAS GIVEN A ROUSING welcome when he arrived at Rockland on Saturday afternoon. Aboard the yacht Potomac he told the Press that he was confident that Russian resistance would last throughout the winter. He refused to disclose the whereabouts of the British Prime Minister but, as far as he knew, Mr. Churchill would not be visiting the United States.

THE NINTH WEEK OF THE WAR RAGING between Germany and Soviet Russia began yesterday with the Nazis claiming the capture of Nikolaiev, important naval base on the Black Sea and 70 miles north-east of Odessa.

BAD WEATHER DID NOT HINDER THE BRITISH air offensive against Germany and considerable forces of R.A.F. bombers attacked targets in the Rhineland and the Ruhr. The docks at Rotterdam and Ostend were also bombed. Thirteen of our planes are missing from the night's operations.

THE BRITISH COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN THE Far East, in an official statement, categorically denied a Japanese report that Britain had threatened Thailand with force.

THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT HAS AGAIN BEEN warned by the Allied representatives of the excessively large number of Germans in the country.





# In the World of Sports



## CRAIGENGOWER MOVE FURTHER UP IN RACE FOR CHAMPIONSHIP OF SENIOR BOWLS LEAGUE

### Kowloon Tong Defeated By Taikoo R.C.

Scoring a clean sweep against K.B.G.C. "B" as Recreio "A" last year's champions, conceded a point to Indian Recreation Club, Craigengower (Cricket Club) moved further ahead on Saturday in the race for First Division honours in the Lawn Bowls League and are now in what is practically an unassailable lead.

Outstanding feature of the afternoon's league programme was Taikoo's clean sweep win over Kowloon Tong in Second Division, as a result of which Kowloon Football Club are now five points ahead of the rest of the field in Second Division.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club retain the Third Division lead, though Police, with three games in hand, are only 10 points behind. Both teams won on Saturday.

No records were broken or equalled in the course of the afternoon, though sixes were returned by F. Nolan, A. J. Hall, C. S. Rossetti, P. Younghusband and A. E. Carey. The latter skip had a six in each one of his last three games.

#### FIRST DIVISION

##### CHAMPIONS WIN

At Sookunpo, Club de Recreio "A" beat Indian Recreation Club by 2 rinks to 1 and on aggregate (4 points to 1).

I.R.C. M. B. Hassan, G. Singh, A. H. Rumjahn, A. K. Minu (s) 15; A. K. Suffian, B. G. Poonawala, A. M. Rumjahn, M. R. Abbas (s) 12; D. Khan, A. K. Ismail, J. Hosen, A. R. Dallah (s) 26. Total 53.

Recreio "A" v. F. X. Soares, A. F. Luz, F. V. Ribeiro, C. Roza, Pereira (s) 22; J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier, F. V. Ribeiro (s) 27; F. X. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. E. Noronha, H. A. Alves (s) 20. Total 69.

##### FIVE FOR CRAIENGOWER

At Austin Road, Craigengower Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Club "B" on all three rinks (3 points to 0).

K.B.G.C. "B" v. A. J. Rogers, V. C. Dixon, P. A. Peckham, L. Sykes (s) 19; P. Holloway, G. W. Elphick, I. Newton, H. L. Lockhart (s) 19; H. Bicknell, E. A. Atkins, J. C. Gill, J. G. Meyer (s) 11. Total 49.

C.C.C. v. A. M. Omar, E. S. Franks, K. M. Omar, U. M. Omar (s) 22; J. W. Leonard, L. C. R. Souza, A. E. Coates, B. W. Bradbury (s) 30; A. A. Razack, W. Ward, J. S. Landolt, C. S. Rossetti (s) 34. Total 86.

##### K.C.C. LOSE

At Austin Road, Kowloon Bowling Green Club "A" beat Kowloon Cricket Club by 2 rinks to 1 and on aggregate (4 points to 1).

K.B.G.C. "A" v. H. E. Drew, H. White, A. Bower, A. J. Hall (s) 24; R. P. Phillips, E. Levett, J. McKelvie, F. Duncan (s) 15; L. Guy, G. W. Deacon, A. Hyde-Lay, A. M. Holland (s) 26. Total 65.

K.C.C. v. D. Lloyd, A. W. Smith, G. E. Taylor, N. J. Bebbington (s) 16; A. E. P. Guest, W. Parsons, A. W. Ramsey, T. A. Madar (s) 19; A. E. Perry, R. T. Broadbridge, W. Mulcahy, E. C. Fincher (s) 15. Total 50.

##### POLICE UP

At King's Park, Police Recreation Club beat Club de Recreio "B" on all rinks (5 points to 0).

Recreio "B" v. C. F. Vas, O. P. Remedios, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues (s) 15; P. Almeida, D. C. Alves, C. H. Basto, J. J. Basto (s) 15; A. F. Noronha, F. H. Carvalho, J. C. Remedios, E. Sousa (s) 20. Total 50.

P.R.C. v. C. Gough, J. Forrest, E. G. Post, J. S. Pender (s) 25; W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall, J. Shepherd (s) 17; W. Cameron, C. Pile, W. Hollands, F. Nolan (s) 26. Total 68.

##### K. DOCKS BEATEN

At Hung Hom, Civil Service Cricket Club beat Kowloon Dock Recreation Club by 2 rinks to 1 and on aggregate (4 points to 1).

K.D.R.C. v. R. H. Lapsley, W. D. Mackie, T. Coleman, M. Ferguson (s) 21; C. Thom, C. Logan, J. V. Ramsay, A. Culman (s) 27; W. Houston, W. D. McMaster, W. Greig, R. Cullen (s) 10. Total 64.

O.S.C.C. v. H. A. McKay, M. Scott, V. Ebbage, M. N. Rakusen (s) 24; F. Harper, W. O'Leary, W. Milley, E. Simmonds (s) 10; J. Gellatly, J. Deakin, J. McGowan, J. Burling (s) 30. Total 70.

#### SECOND DIVISION

##### POINTS FOR C.C.C.

At Happy Valley, Craigengower Cricket Club beat Club de Recreio on all rinks (5 points to 0).

C.C.C. v. J. Xavier, L. M. Roza, M. Baptista, A. J. Coelho (s) 30; S. R. Solina, W. J. Curd, E. Zimmern, T. Lock (s) 26; Li Shi-wing, F. K. Modi, D. A. Rozario, W. K. Way (s) 26. Total 82.

Recreio v. L. A. Rosario, A. V. Barrios, H. R. Phina, M. F. Alarcon (s) 15; C. P. Basto, M. L. da Rosa, J. R. Soares, A. P. Pereira (s) 23; E. L. Barros, F. Xavier, J. A. Remedios, C. C. Pereira (s) 20. Total 58.

##### AT CHATHAM ROAD

Football Club beat Hongkong Cricket Club by 2 rinks to 1 and on aggregate (4 points to 1).

K.F.C. v. B. D. Evans, A. A. Dand, V. Chittenden, W. V. Field (s) 19; W. Naef, A. Eastman, W. C. Simpson, E. Kern (s) 27; A. Lapsley, W. C. Ogley, W. Hyde, P. Younghusband (s) 31. Total 77.

H.K.C.C. v. R. Davies, E. Hospes, R. A. Edwards, A. W. Brown (s) 20; S. L. Lloyd, D. Haigh, H. Wallington, G. Costello (s) 11; G. G. Atkinson, T. R. Rowell, P. J. Hamilton, F. Goodwin (s) 20. Total 51.

##### FIVE FOR TAIKOO

At Taikoo, Taikoo beat Kowloon Tong on all three rinks (5 points to 0).

Taikoo, L. R. Gibson, D. Coull, C. Bovaard, J. A. Watson (s) 28; J. Nimmo, F. Thomson, F. Hillon, J. C. Chalmers (s) 22; W. G. McKie, W. Cunningham, R. Main, W. Melrose (s) 22. Total 72.

Kowloon Tong v. H. Glittins, M. S. Phoon, A. E. Castro, A. Spary (s) 12; H. A. Castro, A. Madar, J. Smith, A. J. Kew (s) 16; N. A. E. Mackay, J. Tang, J. N. Wong, J. L. Stephens (s) 15. Total 45.

##### H.K.F.C. WIN

At Happy Valley, Hongkong Football Club beat Prison Officers' Club on all three rinks (5 points to 0).

H.K.F.C. v. A. B. Coleman, J. D. Thomson, J. A. R. Selby, W. Gill (s) 23; A. Watson, J. H. Gelling, C. F. Needham, W. Macfarlane (s) 23; R. P. Shaw, C. B. Robertson, A. Madar (s) 19; A. E. Perry, R. T. Broadbridge, W. Mulcahy, E. C. Fincher (s) 15. Total 50.

##### P.O.C. WIN

G. McGrath, C. Gowland (s) 20; G. I. Shaw, W. McCutcheon, V. H. Freeman, J. McCutcheon (s) 21; A. W. Hirook, J. W. Harrop, J. Fitzgerald, W. J. Bagley (s) 16. Total 56.

#### THIRD DIVISION

##### BIG WIN FOR POLICE

At Happy Valley, Police Recreation Club beat Craigengower Cricket Club on all three rinks (5 points to 0).

P.R.C. v. J. Hawward, J. Riddell, J. McWalter, J. C. Altken (s) 22; L. C. Fennell, A. J. Johnson, F. C. Channing, A. E. Carey (s) 30; W. Willerton, W. M. Smith, A. Soutar, J. MacDonald (s) 21. Total 73.

C.C.C. v. J. K. Pavri, A. E. S. Alves, L. E. Lammer, L. Gaddi (s) 15; F. X. Delgado, J. Pau, C. W. Lam, N. P. Karanjia (s) 10; R. K. Pavri, S. Leonard, G. S. Ladd, H. W. Randall (s) 14. Total 45.

##### WALLIS'S WIN

At Chater Road, Hongkong Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 2 rinks to 1, but, due to C. Wallis' win by 10 shots, lost on aggregate (3 points to 3).

H.K.C.C. v. H. F. Shields, E. S. Doughty, T. G. Monaghan, F. S. Cassidy (s) 22; B. J. Linton, R.

## ROLLER-SKATES LEAGUE

### Buccaneers Beaten By Blitz

The Lyemum soldiers' Blitz team defeated the Hillwood Road's Buccaneers by the odd goal in three in the "Chi Yin Yai Po" Hockey on roller-skates League at the Empress Rink on Saturday night.

Soares drew first blood for the Buccaneers in the middle of the first period and Wood equalised shortly after for the Blitz. During the second half both teams made numerous attempts to score and Magona netted the deciding goal of the game for the soldiers in the closing minutes.

The game was ably handled by Mr. E. J. Thornton.

Blitz:—McCadden, Manley and Massory; Howarth, Magona and Wood.

Buccaneers:—H. Silva, A. Olson and L. Iwin; L. Smith, F. Soares and E. Olson.

## SPORTING FIXTURES

### TENNIS — "C" Division: K.I.T.C. v. V.R.C. (1)

### TOMORROW

### TENNIS — "B" Division: S.C.A.A. v. C.R.C. v. K.C.C. v. A.T.C.

### K.T.G.C.A. v. K.C.C.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

### TENNIS — "A" Division: C.D.R. v. S.C.A.A. v. C.R.C. v. H.K. U.T.C. I.R.C. v. C.R.C. (2)

### K.T.G.C.A. v. K.C.C. v. C.R.C. (1)

### I.R.C. v. H.K.U.T.C. v. S.C.A.A.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

### TENNIS — "D" Division: C.R.C. v. C.B.A. v. K.I.T.C. v. I.R.C. v. P.O. R.C. (2) v. J.R.C.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

### LAWN BOWLS — First Division:

### Civil Service v. Recreio "A"

### Craigengower v. Indian R.C.

### Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

### B.G.C. v. Recreio "B" v. Kowloon Docks R.C. Second Division

### Recreio v. Kowloon C.C. Hongkong C.C. v. Craigengower, Kowloon Tong v. Kowloon F.C. Prison O.C. v. Taikoo R.C. Third Division: Craigengower v. Hongkong F.C. Kowloon B.G.C. v. Police R.C. Kowloon F.C. v. Hongkong C.C. Indian R.C. v. Hongkong Electric

### CYCLONE SPORTS CLUB

### At a meeting of members of Cyclone Sports Club, the following were elected Officials for the 1941-1942 season: Manager and Representative, A.R. Markar; Captain, S. Bux; Vice Captain, A. R. Ragack; Manager and Representative, 2nd Division, A. Abbas.

### Cyclone Sports Club have decided to enter two teams in the Football League, one in First Division and other in Second Division.

## Rossetti's Rink Defeated

Last year's champion lawn bowls rink, comprising R. Basa, A. E. Coates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti (skip) met, defeat at the hands of U. M. Omar's four (A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar and B. W. Bradbury) in the Fourth Round of the Open Rinks Championship played yesterday at the Kowloon Football Club.

The former rink lost by 13 shots to 22.

## SOFTBALL MATCH

In a friendly softball game played at Caroline Hill yesterday morning the Indian Staff, Royal Naval Dockyard, defeated Indian Police Reserves by 14 runs to 13.

Young A. S. Mitchell, A. McKellar (s) 19; H. H. Beddow, L. E. N. Ryan, A. Nissim, E. S. Abraham (s) 10. Total 51.

K.B.G.C. v. J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor, E. V. Searle, H. Nish (s) 17; J. Hurst, S. C. Walker, C. Langley, L. A. Jordan (s) 17; W. M. Wilson, J. S. Dinnen, G. Thompson, C. Wallis (s) 26. Total 60.

### AT MING YUEN

At Ming Yuen, Electric R. C. beat Kowloon Football Club by 2 rinks to 1, and on aggregate (4 points to 1).

Electric:—J. F. Barron, R. F. Gregory, W. E. MacFarlane, A. G. Gardner (s) 27; W. Stonehouse, E. L. Groom, A. F. Paul, J. K. Sloan (s) 14; W. Stoker, J. R. Way, R. C. Butler, J. F. Lunny (s) 17. Total 58.

K.F.C. v. G. E. Cross, Fa-wong, C. Woodcock, R. M. Ogden (s) 8; G. Frost, B. Williams, Y. Abbas, C. Downman (s) 20; Fa-wong, A. Thomson, W. Mezger, C. H. Fuller (s) 15. Total 43.

### I.R.C. BEATEN

At King's Park, Club de Recreio, beat Indian Recreation Club by 2 rinks to 1 and on aggregate (4 points to 1).

Recreio:—E. A. R. Alves, R. A. Campos, H. M. Xavier, M. Mendonca (s) 26; E. Cunha, E. Alarcon, G. Gutierrez, P. Yvanovich (s) 27; G. A. Pinna, F. P. Sequeira, F. X. Monteiro, M. F. Pinna (s) 16. Total 69.

I.R.C. v. M. I. Razack, J. M. Ramjahn, M. U. Razack, S. M. Ramjahn (s) 18; A. Rahmin, K. Nazarin, K. M. Ramjahn, U. A. Ramjahn (s) 13; B. el Arculli, M. Hassan, A. G. Suffian, A. O. Madar (s) 21. Total 52.

### BOWLS SWEEP

Following is the result of the Lawn Bowls Sweep on Saturday's League games:

1. Ticket 604 (C.C.C., 1st Div.).  
2. Ticket 439 (Police, 3rd Div.).  
3. Ticket 475 (Taikoo, 2nd Div.).  
Other tickets:—491, 113, 388, 413, 482, 381, 518, 320, 313, 617, 673, 687, 597, 101, 274, 76, 586, 396, 178, 389, 48, 659, 448, 678, 263.

## BOWLS LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

### FIRST DIVISION

### AGGREGATE RINKS

### P. W. L. T. W. L. T. Pts.

Craigengower 13 12 1 0 36 3 0 60

Recreio "A" 15 11 4 0 29 14 2 52

Kowloon B.G.C. "A" 14 10 4 0 22 19 1 42

Indian R.C. 13 7 6 0 21 18 0 36

Police R.C. 13 6 5 0 18 19 2 35

Recreio "B" 13 5 3 0 14 25 0 24

Kowloon Dock 14 4 9 0 15 22 2 34

Kowloon C.C. 13 4 10 0 13 25 4 23

Civil Service 13 3 10 0 14 23 2 21

Kowloon B.G.C. "B" 13 3 10 0 12 26 1 18

### SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon F.C. 11 9 2 0 26 7 0 44

Kowloon Tong 11 0 2 0 20 11 2 39

Hongkong F.C. 14 7 7 0 20 21 1 34

Craigengower 11 5 5 0 18 14 1 37

Prison Officers 11 5 5 0 17 10 0 30

Hongkong C.C. 11 5 5 0 14 18 1 28

Taikoo 9 4 5 0 13 13 1 21

Kowloon C.C. 12 3 9 0 10 25 1 10

Recreio 12 2 10 0 11 24 1 16

### THIRD DIVISION

Kowloon B.G.C. 13 11 1 1 24 14 1 47

Indian R.C. 13 8 4 1 21 10 2 36

Police R.C. 10 7 3 0 20 8 2 37

Craigengower 14 7 7 0 20 22 0 34

Hongkong F.C. 14 5 9 0 19 22 1 29

Recreio 15 5 10 0 19 20 0 29

Kowloon F.C. 11 5 0 0 17 10 0 27

Hongkong C.C. 12 4 8 0 19 20 0 24

Hongkong Electric 12 3 9 0 13 24 0 18

## H.K.R.A. MINIATURE RIFLE LEAGUE

### STANDARD OF MARKSMANSHIP SHOWS MARKED IMPROVEMENT

The standard of marksmanship in Hongkong Rifle Association's miniature rifle league continues to improve, a greater number of teams obtaining an aggregate score of 340 or over every week.

In First Division the Police Reserve team are consolidating their position as leaders, being now four points ahead of their nearest rivals, Police "A," whilst Royal Scots "C" Coy. "A" and Rajput "A" are tied in both points and aggregate for third place.

In the Aperture Sight League, Sub. Insp. Ritchie (Police "B") returned a "possible" enabling his team to inflict on R.A.F. their first defeat of the season and to change places with them at the head of the table.

The highest individual Open Sight scores of the period ended August 10 were:—

A.S.I. P. H. Thong (H.K.P.R.) 98, Cpl. Naranjan Singh (H.K.P.) 96, Sgt. Puran Singh (H.K.P.) 96, S. Sgt. Jones (R.E. Stanley) 95, W. O. Tollison (R.A.F.) 94, A.S.I. P. H. Thong (H.K.P.R.) 94, L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E. Stanley) 93, Nk. Abdul Rahman (Rajput) 93, Sgt. Booth (R. Scots "C" Coy. "B") 92, Pte. Whelan (R. Scots "B" Coy.) 92, Lt. Hunter (R. Scots "D" Coy. "A") 92, Cpl. Naranjan Singh (H.K.P.) 92, Sgt. Wall (H.K.P.) "A") 92.

Results of matches completed on August 10 were:—

### OPEN SIGHTS—1ST DIVISION

22nd (F) Coy. R.E. (343) v. 5th/7th Rajput "B" (331); 5th/7th Rajput "A" (346) v. Middlesex "A" (313); 2nd/14th Punjab "A" (336) v. Royal Scots "A" Coy. (28); R. Scots H.Q. Coy. "A" (338) v. H.K. R.N.V.R. "A" (337); 5th/7th Rajput "C" (307) v. 5th/7th Rajput "D" (350); R. Scots "B" Coy. (354) v. R. Scots "C" Coy. (343); Middlesex "C" (332) v. Middlesex "D" (330); 5th/7th Rajput "E" (358); Royal Scots "D" Coy. "A" (318) v. R.A.F. "A" (336); Middlesex "D" (337) v. 2nd/14th Punjab "A" (321); 2nd/14th Punjab "B" (325) v. H.K. V.D.C. "A" (330); 5th/7th Rajput "B" (348) v. "H.K. Police" "A" (330); Collinson R.C. "A" (312) v. 2nd/14th Punjab "A" (355); Collinson R.C. "A" (288) v. H.K. V.D.C. "A" (337); "H.K. Police Reserve" (371) v. R. Scots H.Q. Coy. "A" (338); 2nd/14th Punjab "B" (326) v. 5th/7th Rajput "B" (347); Middlesex "A" (332) v. R. Scots "B" Coy. (287); R. Scots "A" Coy. (271) v. Middlesex "B" (251); H.K. R.N.V.R. "A" v. 2nd/14th Punjab "D" (312); 5th/7th Rajput "A" (331) v. R. Scots "D" Coy. "A" (368); R. Scots "C" Coy. "A" (339) v. Middlesex "D" (317); Middlesex "C" (294) v. 2nd/14th Punjab "B" (341); 40th (F) Coy. R.E. (319) v. 22nd (F) Coy. R.E. (322); Middlesex "E" (339) v. H.K. Police Reserve (359); Middlesex "E" (342) v. 2nd/14th Punjab "B" (330); Dockyard Rifle Club (328) v. "H.K. Police" "A" (372); Dockyard Rifle Club (300) v. R.A.F. "A" (344); Collinson R.C. "A" (323) v. 5th/7th Rajput "A" (340).

### SECOND DIVISION

"H.K. Police" "B" (356) v. H.K. R.N.V.R. "B" (251); R.A.F. "B" (319) v. R. Scots "D" Coy. "B" (250); H.K.V.D.C. "B" (277) v. R. Scots "C" Coy. "B" (332); R. Scots H.Q. Coy. "B" (327) v. Middlesex "F" (257); Middlesex "E" (248) v. R.E. (Stanley) (362); R.E. (Shamshuipo) (296) R.E. (Collinson) (300); Collinson R.C. "B" (280) v. R.E. (Stonecutters) (300).

"H.K. Police" "A" (377) v. "H.K. Police Reserve" "B" (375); R.A.F. (375) v. "H.K. Police" "B" (389); "H.K. Police Reserve" "A" (368) v. R. Scots "C" Coy.



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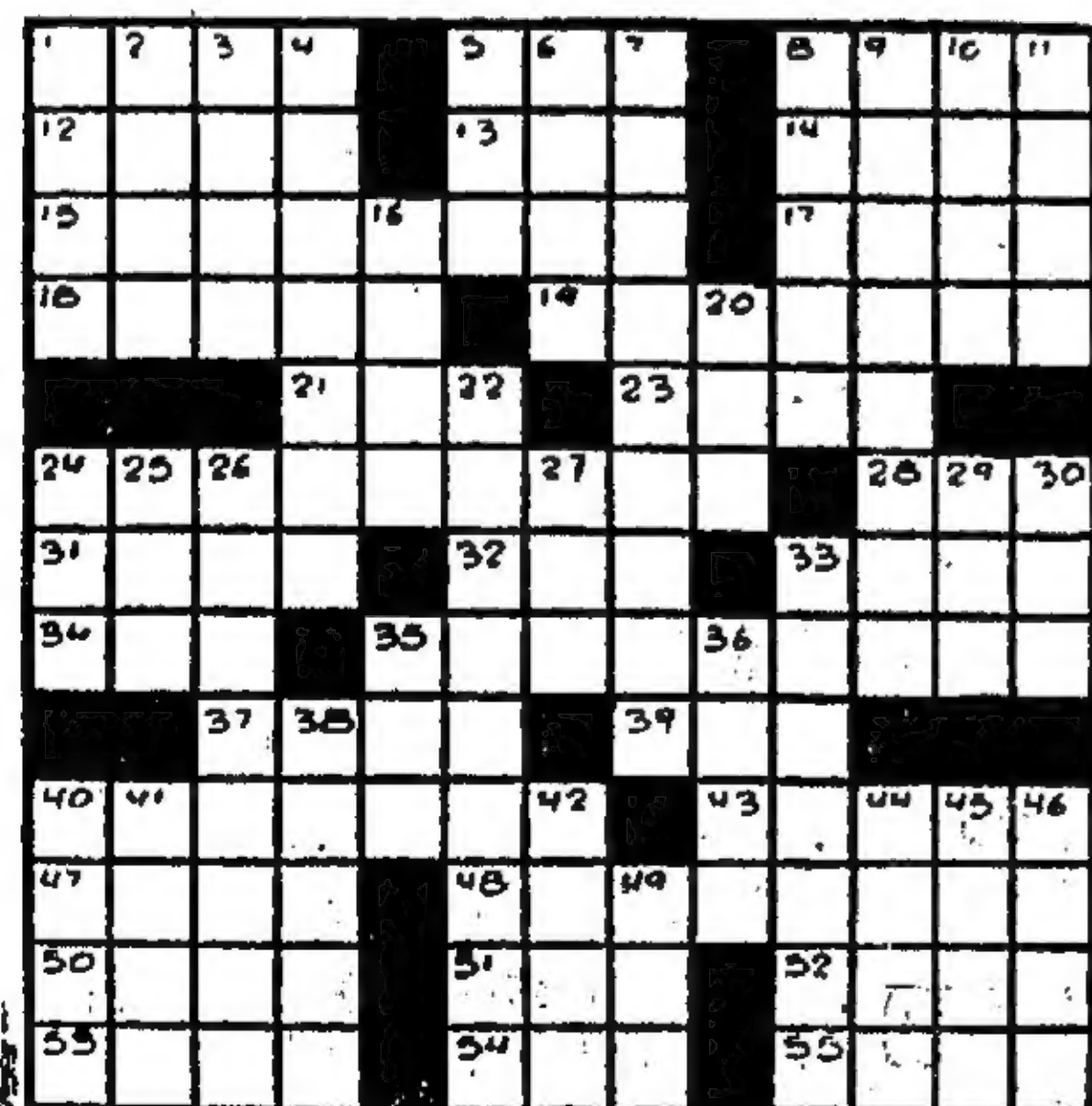
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- ACROSS**
- Mineral of soapy feel
  - Veneration
  - Slender
  - Having a wing
  - Machine for cleaning cotton
  - Edible rootstock
  - Very respectful
  - Animal without feet
  - Vex
  - To pre-terminate
  - Lose firmness
  - Pastoral pipe
  - Undervalue
  - Division of a play
  - Kind
  - Period
  - Portico
  - Earlier than
  - Receiver
  - In bed
  - Annoy continually
  - Portentous
  - To stuper
  - Nose of a beast
  - Song for one voice
  - Effaceable
  - A prophet
  - Cheerless
  - Solitary
  - Firm



- DOWN**
- Pair
  - Line of junction
  - Sour
  - On the lee side
  - Fluid rock
  - Fire basket
  - Grow old
  - Twist
  - Divert
  - Condition
  - To stone
  - A metal
  - Mahner
  - Lift
  - Discern
  - Most avid
  - Application
  - Correlative of neither
  - Gloomer
  - Portion of a
  - curved line
  - Regard
  - studiously
  - Make
  - knotted lace
  - Prearranged steps
  - Soft flax
  - Go by
  - Long thin piece of sawed timber
  - Money
  - Any flat surface
  - Crop of a bird
  - Musical instrument
  - Bone of the forearm
  - Abound
  - Fuss
- SOLUTION TOMORROW**

## COMING EVENTS

**AUG.**

18—Tides: High 6.00 a.m. and 9.19 p.m.; Low 2.02 a.m. and 12.26 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.01 a.m.; Sunset: 7.53 p.m.

Claims against Estate of Mr F. E. Lane due.

Heats for Schools' Swimming Gala, V.R.C. Pool, 7 p.m.

St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

St. Andrew's Club Committee meeting, 6.45 p.m.

Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjong Drive, 7.30 p.m.

Charity Swimming Gala and Fire Dragon Display, Chung Shing Benevolent Society, Kennedy Town, 8 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.) Govt. House, 9 a.m. to noon.

19—Tides: High 6.59 a.m. and 11.41 p.m.; Low 2.44 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m.

Heats for Schools' Swimming Gala, V.R.C. Pool, 7 p.m.

Criminal Sessions Commences

St. Andrew's Church Council meeting, Vicarage, 6 p.m.

Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.

International Baseball match, Chatham Road

20—Tides: High 7.49 a.m. and 10.02 p.m.; Low 1.31 a.m. and 3.22 p.m.

Cheero Club Dance, 6.30 p.m.

21—Tides: High 8.27 a.m. and 11.22 p.m.; Low 2.23 a.m. and 2.56 p.m.

St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

St. Andrew's Club Social, 8.45 p.m.

H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin, St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.

Farewell Party and Presentation to D.A.R.P. European Y.M.C.A. 8.30 p.m.

22—Tides: High 9.24 a.m. and 11.47 p.m.; Low 3.07 a.m. and 4.32 p.m.

St. Andrew's Wartime Intercession Service, 6.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship "Get To Together" Evening, 8.45 p.m.

Cheero Club Darts and Table Tennis

Lecture: H.K.V.D.C. Nursing Detachment, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.45 p.m.

23—Tides: High 10.11 a.m. and 11.17 p.m.; Low 3.49 a.m. and 5.07 p.m.

Schools' Swimming Gala, V.R.C. Pool, 9 p.m.

Claims against estate of late Dora Anderson due.

Massed Band Concert, H.K. Cricket Club Ground, 9.30 p.m.

24—Tides: High 10.57 a.m. and 11.49 p.m.; Low 4.34 a.m. and 5.41 p.m.

25—Tides: High 11.44 a.m. and 12.27 p.m.; Low 5.17 a.m. and 6.17 p.m.

## AIR RAID WARDENS

Members of the A.R.P. are now more clearly defined as the result of an amendment to the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens Ordinance, 1940, published in the Government Gazette.

"Members" includes officers, sub-ordinate officers, Air Raid Wardens, Warden Telephonists, Wardens (Communications), (Tunnels), (Motor Cyclists), (Fire Watchers and Fighters) and House Wardens and Honorary Air Raid Wardens.

## VARIETY CONCERT AT KING'S

Featured by elaborate settings in the various items presented, the variety concert produced by the Chinese staff of the Gloucester Hotel at the King's Theatre yesterday morning was a great success, there being a full house.

The proceeds from the concert will go in aid of Chinese Relief Funds and the Bomber Fund.

## G.O.C.'S SYMPATHY

The following message has been received by the Commandant of the H.K.V.D.C. from H.E. the G.O.C., Major-General C. M. Maltby, M.C.:

"I very much regret to hear that Bdr. D. E. Smith of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps has died as the result of an accident which occurred last night when he was returning from training in an Army motor lorry. Will you please convey my deepest sympathy to his relatives and to his comrades in the Corps."

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## Radio Programmes

### HONGKONG

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RELAY BY HOWARD MARSHALL  
"NEWS FROM HOME"

Arcsny Trio

12.15 Short Service of Intercession

12.30 Mantovani and His Orchestra

Quick-Step—Could Be (Mercer and Donaldson), Slow Fox-Trot—Hurricane (Meyer and others), Fox-Trots—Have You Ever Been in Heaven? (From film "Manhattan Music Box")

—Lawrence), By Heaven In The Pines (Campbell Sigler, Conrad), Quick-Step—Cuban Lady (Damerell and Evans), Fox-Trot—Gypsy Tears (Noel and O'Connor), Waltz—Little St. Echo (Smith, Pearls, Girard and Marsala), Fox-Trot—The Pretty Little Quaker Girl (Hunter, Part-Davies), Slow Fox-Trot—The Red Maple Leaves (Kennedy and Grosz).

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 Some Souza Marches.

Hands Across The Sea—The Band Of H.M. Coldstream Guards, Stars and Stripes, Washington Post-Rawicz and Landauer (Piano Duets), Semper Fidelis March—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guard.

1.18 Plantation Songs

Campdown Faces: Uncle Ned; Ring De Banjo (S. C. Foster); Frank Luther and The Lyn Murray Quartet w. Piano, Plantation Songs—Intro: So Early In The Morning; Carry Me Back To Old Virginia; Old Folks At Home; Good Night Ladies; Away Down South In Dixie; Poor Old Joe; Oh, Susanna; My Old Kentucky Home—Paul Robeson (Bass) with Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Delibes—Sylvia Ballet.

Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli

2.02 Violin Solos by Joseph Szigeti.

Scene De La Czarda No. 3 (Hungarian Gypsy Fantasy—Hubay), Norwegian Song—Snow (Sigurd Lie), Gavotte (From "Classical Symphony"—Prokofiev), Danse Russe (From "Petrouchka"—Stravinsky).

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 The Boston Promenade Orchestra and Rose Hampton (Contralto).

Hungarian Dance No. 5; Hungarian Dance No. 6 (Brahms)—The Boston Promenade Orch. "Song Offerings".

When I Bring To You Colour'd Toys Light, My Light—Rose Hampton with Piano, Pavane (Gould); Toy Trumpet (Scott)—The Boston Promenade Orchestra, Swans (Walter Kramer)—Rose Hampton with Piano, Largo (From "Xerxes"—Handel); Meditation (From "Thais"—Massenet)—The Boston Promenade Orchestra.

1.17 Piano and Organ Duets by P. Tricla Restorouff and Robinson Cleaver.

Ave Maria (Bach—Gounod); Study No. 3 In E Major (Chopin), Life's Great Sunset (Adams); The Bells Of St. Mary's (Adams).

7.30 Variety with Nora Blaney, Flotsam and Jetsam, The Roswell Sisters and Others.

Vocal—It Don't Mean A Thing (Ellington); Dinah (Lewis—Young—Axt)—The Boswell Sister with Trio and Guitar, Benjo—Joy Dance La Vivandiere (A. Kirby)—Ernest Jones with Piano, Comedians—Weather Reports; The High Brow Sailor—Flotsam and Jetsam with Piano, Clarinet—Memphis Blues (Handy)—Arn. Pettifer with Piano and Guitar, Vocal Duets—Maybe I'm Wrong Again (Trent and Bennett); Another One Gone (Beverly Nicholls)—Morah Blaney and Gwen Farrar with piano

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post: Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Folk Songs and Music.

Thady You Gander (arr. Arnold Foster)—Folk Dance Band, A Sad Ending (Traditional); Oliver Cromwell (Broadwood)—Our Bill (Leslie Grisewood) with Piano accomp. Old Irish—Intro: Let Erin Remember; The Paddy Dew; The Little Red Lark; Rakes of Malloy; The Lodge Road; Avenge and Bright; Londonderry Air; To Ladies' Eyes; Strawberry Blossoms; The Irish Washerwoman (arr. L. Bridgewater)—Leslie Bridgewater Instr. Quintet, O Whistle and I'll Come To You, My Lad (Stephen and Burnett)—Margaret Barrett (Solo piano) with Piano, Farmyard Walks—Continental Novelty—Orchestra, Russian Medley Of Folk Songs (Trad. Vocal, arr. Sorokin)—Sorokin Russian Chorus, Hatt-nagoren (Dan-shi)—Folk Dance Orchestra, Two Interlinked French Folk Melodies (Ethel Smyth)—Light Symphony Orchestra.

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 This week's programmes.

9.05 Studio—Talk by Mr. J. F. MacGregor on "The British Prisoners of War Fund."

9.15 Arcsny—Trio in D Minor, Op. 82.

Allgro moderato—Scherzo—Elegia—Finale—Rileen Joyce (Piano) Henri Teminkka (Violin), and Antoni Sala (Cello).

9.45 to 10 News in French (On Short Wave only).

9.45 Operatic Duets.

"Samson And Delilah"—Softly Awakes My Heart (Sain-Seans), Mile G. Gernay and M. Georges Thill w. Orch. "The Force Of Destiny"—To This Solemn Hour (Verdi)—Charles Kullman, Walther Grossmann with members of the State Opera House Orchestra.

10.00 London—The News and New Commentary.

10.15 A Programme of Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Cuban Romeo; The Singing Hills—Ambrose and His Orchestra, Fox-Trot—Ida; Quick-Step—Tuxedo Junction—Ken "Snakehips" Johnson and His West Indian Orchestra, Fox-Trots—The Holier Schottische; The Hot Gavotte—Paul Whiteman's Four Modernaires, Tango—Chagrin D'Amour; Tango Chinois—Mario Melfi and His Orchestra, Fox-Trots—Down Every Street; Oh! Buddy, I'm In Love—Jay Wilbur and His Band, Fox-Trots—Kaneho Hula-Hula; Rhythm Of The Waves (From film "I'll We Meet Again"—Ray Kinney and His Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors Walt; The Creaking Old Mill On The Creek; Fox-Trot—With The Wind and The Rain In Your Hair—Bob Chester and His Orchestra.

11.00 London—"News From Home" by Howard Marshall.

11.15 Close Down.

## SHORT WAVE

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NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I—News Summary 5.00 p.m.

Full Bulletin 6.00 p.m.

Transmission V—News Summary 7.45 p.m.

Full Bulletin 8.00 p.m.

do. 10.00 p.m.

do. 1.00 a.m.

Trans. II & III—News Summary 6.30 a.m.

Full Bulletin 9.30 a.m.

What Not To Do

The Regulations governing Pleasure Grounds and Bathing Places under the Ordinance of 1936 have been augmented by the addition of the King George's Field, Kowloon, in Government Gazette.

The Chairman of the Urban Council, may with the consent of the Governor, at any time close the Field or any part thereof. Subject to this provision the Field shall be closed during the following hours: from April 1 to September 30, from 8.30 p.m. to 7.30 a.m.; from October 1 to March 31, from 7 p.m. to 6.30 a.m.

No vehicles may enter the Field, except perambulators, nor any person carrying a load, nor any person unless properly clothed. Dogs may be taken only on a lead and no person while on the Field may put his feet on, or lie upon, a seat or in any building; spit; fly a kite; walk upon the grass; or conduct himself otherwise than in a decent, quiet and orderly manner.

No person shall pick or handle or injury any flower or plant or tree in the Field and no person shall litter paper or rubbish there.

THAILAND RADIO CAMPAIGN

BANGKOK, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—A two-day Thai radio campaign that, as believers in Buddhism, Thais fervently wish the early restoration of world peace, has aroused wide-spread interest.

Informed observers believe Thailand is not wholly engrossed in her own affairs. To the contrary she is even ready to make her contribution, however small, towards wider peace.

These observers would not be surprised if the campaign is followed up by some concrete action, whatever be its chances of success.

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## ANGLO-AMERICAN JOINT DECLARATION MEETS WITH VIRULENT ATTACK IN TOKYO PRESS

### Tricky International Plot Seen Behind Eight Points!

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The violently antagonistic Japanese reaction in the Press and semi-official quarters to the Anglo-American joint declaration may be viewed as an indication that Japan's decision on future policy is hopelessly irretrievable.

Although last September's announcement of Japan's adherence to the Axis failed in its immediate aim, causing great disappointment in Japan and elsewhere, Japan is apparently reacting to the Anglo-American statement in similar manner, thereby proclaiming her determination not to recede from the set course towards the so-called new world order, especially in East Asia.

The usually conservative Tokyo Asahi last evening led with a most virulent attack against the Declaration, while the often opportunistic Nichi-Nichi also labelled the declaration "a tricky international plot."

Keystone of the situation was sounded by the veteran commentator Mr. Tokutomi, in last evening's Nichi-Nichi under the heading "Heads we win, tails we lose."

He says "The more we show goodwill towards America the tighter the American quarantine against Japan."

**GOOD COMPARISON**  
The Asahi asserted that the Roosevelt-Churchill meeting was a good comparison to the Brenner Pass parleys between Hitler and Mussolini for world leadership.

The paper declared that behind the eight points made public "it is clear that these tie up with a world plot."

The Asahi continued that the announcement aims at complete world domination although the threats are cleverly camouflaged with appeasement.

The declaration was termed as the paper as "a call to the occupied European countries to revolt against Germany and an attempt to divide Japanese opinion."

The Asahi directed an exclamatory exhortation to the Japanese people to complete war preparations as soon as possible and not to be dazzled by "the Anglo-American plot."

The Asahi then takes up the eight points one by one.

It says the First Point is an Anglo-American "confession of the desire to maintain the old order."

**IDEALOGICAL PLOT**  
The Second and Third Points are called an indication of the desire to maintain world leadership and uphold "liberalistic ideals" which at the same time constitutes "an ideological plot against the Japanese establishment of a wartime structure."

The Fourth Point is called

"camouflage of the old Versailles Treaty," in order to dominate the world with militarism and capitalism.

The Asahi says the Fifth Point merely re-phrased the idea that the British and Americans seek the welfare of all countries, which should be rejected as only a dream of world leadership.

The Fifth Point is not commented on by the Nichi-Nichi, which, however, regards the Sixth Point as "an attempt to return the world to Anglo-American liberalism" and also to give the United States freedom to enter the war.

The Asahi asks whether "the people in their colonies are free from fear" and cites British India as a sample of Anglo-American liberalism.

**FREEDOM OF SEAS**  
Both papers agree that the Seventh Point, on the freedom of the seas, is obviously based on Anglo-American control thereof.

Whereas the Nichi-Nichi leaves the Eighth Point open to discussion, the Asahi considers this "indeed the last word for dominating the world," against which Japan should guard and prepare.

The Anglo-American statement is subjected to unusual vituperation in Mr. Tokutomi's article in the Nichi-Nichi.

Heavily censored throughout, the gist of his published comment follows:—

"Not only the Japanese but the whole world knows that Japan is besieged by the ABCD encirclement."

"We are not surprised. We are not excited. We knew this would be coming soon and therefore warned against it."

"Undoubtedly America is beating the encirclement drum while Britain, Chungking and the Netherlands East Indies are merely playing second fiddle."

"The United States simply wants Japan to return to the status quo before the Manchurian incident, which is out of the question."

## FAST GRAVEYARD Speculation On FOR GERMANS Fireside Chat

### UKRAINE POSITION STILL OBSCURE

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Fighting continued along the whole Russo-German front on Friday night, being particularly stubborn in the south.

It is thought the position in the Ukraine will remain obscure until the battle becomes more static but it is believed Marshal Budenny can withdraw his troops across the Dnieper and established strong lines of defence.

In the Smolensk area the Germans are evidently digging in and there are no signs that they are preparing to resume the offensive.

The Russian commander in this area describes the battlefield as "one vast graveyard for the Germans."

**BITTER RESISTANCE**  
Every street and house in Smolensk was bitterly contested before the town was abandoned.

In the north all the Finnish attacks have been repulsed.

The Germans themselves appear somewhat doubtful of the Ukraine fighting, and the Nazi spokesman said: "We have not completed operations in this sector."

German newspaper correspondents speak of the difficulties caused by the Russian resistance, heavy rains and roads like quagmires.

**NAZI COMMUNIQUE**  
The German High Command reports from Hitler's headquarters that on the whole, eastern front operations "continue to proceed according to plan."

The communique states that Soviet bombers "attempted" to attack the northern and southern

Speculation continues here as to the probability of President Roosevelt giving a "fireside chat" at an early date.

United States industry and the war effort generally are being geared up to great power and the indispensable assistance now being rendered to Britain is probably greater than the public in America or in England realise.

That assistance will automatically go on increasing.

It would be a mistake, however, to expect as a result of the joint statement anything more than that—for example a more spectacular spurt towards participation in the war—in the absence of any further move by Japan or Germany which would be considered in Washington as definitely endangering the interests of the United States.

eastern districts of the Reich on Friday night.

**STALIN'S SON**  
MOSCOW, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The heroism of Stalin's son, Yakov Djuzestvili, a battery commander, in fighting the enemy by remaining in charge of his battery until the last shell was used, is cited by the Red Star, organ of the Soviet Army.

The sons of other leaders of the Revolution are mentioned and the "Red Star" adds: "The valour of the heroes of the Civil War who fought devotedly for Soviet power lives in their sons as well as in the entire Soviet people who have risen to fight a great people's war."

## CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Mr. Harold Ickes, U.S. Petroleum Co-ordinator, announced yesterday, that the oil industry is planning to double its refining capacity so as to assure adequate supplies for the British and Russian air forces.

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—A new decree published by the Vichy Government yesterday orders all oaths of fidelity to be made to Marshal Petain instead of to France. The order applies to all Ministers, all judges and civil servants and all ranks of the army.—Reuter.

OTTAWA, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Mr. Howe, Canadian Maritime Minister, is leaving for Washington during the week-end for consultations on supply problems. Lord Beaverbrook, it is stated, will probably accompany him when he returns to Ottawa.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The U.S. Senate has passed the revised Appropriation Bill which has now been sent for the President's signature.

CAIRO, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Yesterday's Middle East communique says the situation at Tobruk is unchanged. On Friday our artillery and patrols were active in the frontier area.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The Voluntary War Contribution Fund passed the goal of £200,000 yesterday as the result of a last-minute spurt in donations all over China. This assures a second China British Squadron for the R.A.F.

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Dr. Honda, Japanese Ambassador to Nanking, left Tokyo yesterday morning for Nanking via Kobe and Shanghai. He will probably sail from Kobe tomorrow on board the "Yawata Maru." He has been absent from Nanking since May.

BANGKOK, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—It is urgently necessary to speed up the increase in population in the interest of national progress under the new constitution, says a communique in Bangkok yesterday announcing the appointment of an official committee to consider a programme drawn up in this connection by the Ministry of Interior.

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—A large force of British planes was seen crossing the south-east coast yesterday afternoon in the direction of enemy-occupied territory.

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Two German fighters were destroyed in an R.A.F. sweep over Northern France yesterday morning. One of our fighters is missing.

**UNPRECEDENTED  
U.S. ACTION**

**Petrol Placed On  
Rationing System**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The U.S. Office of Price Administration and Civilian Supply has proclaimed a rationing system to cut petrol consumption on the eastern seaboard by restricting supplies for petrol stations.

Effective immediately this action, which is unprecedented in peacetime in the U.S., does not provide for the issue of ration cards to individual car drivers but reduces supplies delivered to petrol stations by 10 per cent.

All the eastern seaboard states are affected as well as West Virginia and the District of Columbia, which includes Washington, but only a portion of Florida.

**INDIA ALSO**  
BOMBAY, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—With the enforcement of petrol rationing throughout India from midnight on Thursday, Bombay wears a "quiet" appearance, with at least 30 per cent. of the usual motorcars off the road.

Bombay's fashionable evening resorts are deserted and dull. Cinibuses and trams are packed with many Europeans who have never used them before.

Back victrolas and bicycles are again coming into their own. A good example of keeping within the ration limit has already been set by the Governor of the United Provinces, Sir Maurice Hallett, who rode on horseback 10 miles and back in order to pay an official visit.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt was due to land in America after his meeting with Mr. Churchill at 6 p.m. (G.M.T.) yesterday and take a train to Washington some two or three hours later, according to the Washington correspondent of the New York Times.

## HANOVER, BRUNSWICK AND MAGDEBURG TARGETS OF GREAT R.A.F. OFFENSIVE

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Describing the R.A.F.'s raids on Germany on Thursday night, in which 300 machines participated, the Air Ministry news service stated that the offensive was moved on to the great manufacturing cities of Prussia.

The largest of three attacking forces was sent to Hanover but two other capitals of German provinces Brunswick and Magdeburg, were each heavily bombed.

Not only were our bombers out in great numbers but they were of the latest type of Manchesters and four-engined Stirlings and Halifaxes.

Hanover is the centre of heavy industries and its iron foundries and factories which are now given over to war production, lie mostly in the south-west of the city.

From 50 miles away the pilots of successive waves of bombers could pick out fires started among these objectives by the first arrivals.

When their turn came to bomb, a bright moon lit up buildings and railway lines. There was little cloud.

The bombing was steady and accurate, and reports of the last crew to leave Hanover spoke of a "great triangle of raging fires" left in the city.

**DEEP RAIDS**

The fires of Hanover were seen by crews striking yet more deeply into Germany. Their objectives were Brunswick, capital of the province of Brunswick, a town with many factories making machinery and motor transport, and Magdeburg, capital of Prussian Saxony, another great industrial city and centre of railway and river traffic.

Here the clouds were thicker. "Clouds came down low all round Magdeburg and looked like a high solid wall. Every time we found a gap we dropped a flare through it and through one break in the clouds we saw the River Elbe, which guided us into Magdeburg."

"Fires were glowing and we started a fire ourselves."

At Brunswick too our crews overcame the weather and returned with satisfying reports of damage.

## U.S. Will Use Armed Force If Necessary

### SIGNIFICANCE OF ATLANTIC CONFAB

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—"If Berlin and Tokyo ever doubted President Roosevelt's intention to fight if need be in order to help put an end to their ambition to dominate the world they will be foolish to do so any longer."

So writes William Phillips, foreign editor of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, in the New York World-Telegram.

"If the Atlantic rendezvous meant anything whatever it signified determination on President Roosevelt's part that the United States shall use armed force if necessary to attain the jointly announced war aims," he adds.

The Boston Post says: "The declaration is just the opening step in a series of moves to beat Hitler."

**AXIS PROPAGANDA**  
There is no truth in the Axis propagandists' description of the Roosevelt-Churchill declaration of eight points as a revival of President Wilson's "Fourteen Points," states the New York Herald-Tribune columnist, Walter Lippmann.

"Here we have a joint public declaration by the heads of two Governments, whereas President Wilson's declaration was a unilateral statement."

"This declaration places the main emphasis on the survey of a thing which, because it was neglected 25 years ago, made the whole settlement unworkable and post-war reconstruction a failure."

"Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt know that stable peace is utterly inconceivable unless it is organised with the continuing collaboration of Britain and America."

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## Tagore Commemoration In Hongkong

### Advocate Of Internationalism And Friend To The Young

A meeting in tribute to the memory of the great Indian poet, scholar, Nobel Prize winner and advocate of the brotherhood of peoples, the late **SIR RABINDRANATH TAGORE**, who passed away at Calcutta on Aug. 7, was held yesterday at the Cafe Wiseman.

Mr. H. S. Bannerjee was host to the gathering, and there were present about 30 people, representing a half-dozen races, gathered to pay tribute to the late Poet.

The speakers were: Mr. Bannerjee, Dr. Lin Wo-chiang, Mr. M. A. Azam, Mr. John Russell, Mr. J. Kima and Mr. B. Ghosh.

Words of tribute were spoken of the late Dr. Tagore, who, it was noted by the various speakers, had been an advocate of internationalism, a lover of children, a friend to the young, one of the great philosophers of our time, a great immortal memory, an inspiration to students who sought from him words of advice, a great spiritual teacher, and a scholar who had left a marked influence on the Bengali language.

"Tagore was a national poet and a philosopher of the very highest degree," Mr. Bannerjee said. "We may compare him to the great poet, Kalidasa or L. Shakespeare. He wrote poems as early as at the age of 12 and his first complete book of poetry was published when he was 14. His first works deeply impressed his parents and they allowed him to devote all his energy toward the development of his poetical genius."

#### WROTE SONGS

"All his works were originally in Bengali and most of these he later translated himself into English. Besides poems, he wrote short stories, novels, and thousands of songs and plays. There have been great men who have excelled in many lines of effort, but Rabindranath Tagore was seldom excelled by others in any one of the varied lines of artistic effort that he touched."

"He started an experimental school at Bolpur, in mid-west Bengal, with the purpose of permitting students to attend an institution where they would be at liberty to develop their own traits in the field of culture. The experiment has been a great success and many eminent scholars from many countries have studied at Santalukaton, which translated would mean 'The Abode of Peace.'"

"The late poet was a great scholar and versed in classical languages. His own translation of his poetical works, 'Gitanjali,' earned him the Nobel Prize. Other countries besides India honoured him. England knighted him, Italy gave him a state reception, the Shah of Persia supplied him with a special plane for a visit to Iran."

"Latest of these awards was a degree of honorary Doctor of Literature from Oxford, at a special convocation held at the poet's Santalukaton, the only deviation in the University's history. "The late Tagore was a great spiritual teacher, all his works pointing to one thing, this being an expression of dedication to the unfathomable divinity."

"He was a friend of China. He was a friend of the oppressed nations of the world."

"The Bengali language owes much of its present richness and fame to him. He recreated it from its Sanskrit quoting to its present phase without permitting it to lose any of its charm or weight. This he accomplished in the 50 years of his life, an unique achievement in the history of any language."

"It is only in a thousand years that a great genius like the late Poet is born in any country and at his death India especially and the world in general has lost the greatest spiritual leader of our time."

#### WORLD BROTHERHOOD

Speaking of the late Dr. Rabindranath Tagore and his conception of world brotherhood, Dr. Lin Wo-chiang, who had studied at the late Poet's institution at Santalukaton, said:

"It was this conception of a world brotherhood that made him write his 'Essays on Nationalism' at the height of the last World War, wherein he pointed out the danger of narrow nationalism, the same narrow nationalism that we have since seen crystallised in Hitler's Nazism and Mussolini's Fascism, under which individualism and humanity are ruthlessly crushed."

"Again it was this conception of a true loyalty and patriotism that led him to raise a warning finger at the Japanese nation of the path that blind nationalism could lead to."

## COMPENSATION FOR DEPENDENTS OF VOLUNTEER

It was learned from Colonel H.B. Rose, M.C., Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps that there is no general scheme providing for a pension or compensation for dependents of a Volunteer in Hongkong who is killed or disabled in carrying out Volunteer duties.

Any case is brought before the Governor-in-Council and considered on its individual merits. Colonel Rose pointed out that any Volunteer in Government service was covered by the Widows and Orphans Fund.

He explained that although there was a universal scale of pay in the Corps, irrespective of race or creed, it was impossible, in view of different nationalities and different classes in the Corps, to provide any general scheme or to lay down any fast rule for the provision of pension or compensation for volunteers killed or injured in the course of their duty.

The matter has, however, been the subject of correspondence.

## Importation Of Steel

### FURTHER CONTROL MEASURES

Instructions have been received, states a Colonial Secretariat communiqué, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies instituting a new procedure governing the importation of alloy steel and of the semi-manufactured and manufactured iron and steel products listed in the Schedule to Notification No. 588 published in the Government Gazette of May 16, 1941.

All orders for the goods (except those obtainable from the sources mentioned in paragraph 5) must now be placed by the Hongkong Government who will receive them from applicants, collate them and forward them in bulk to the appropriate authority.

For the present applications should be made on the existing Import Supply Licence Form.

The Secretary of State directs that orders under paragraph 2 should cover requirements for six months ahead.

Details regarding the financing or orders by the importers concerned will be given later.

#### SUPPLY SOURCES

Where supplies are obtainable from nearby sterling sources, e.g. Australia or India, (or from Canada if they have been normally drawn from that Dominion) they may be ordered through the usual commercial channels subject to an Import Licence having been granted by the Hongkong Government.

Between the date of this notice and September 1, 1941, import licences for iron and steel will only be granted in very exceptional circumstances.

Further details may be obtained by a letter addressed to Mr. B. J. Lacon, Assistant Controller of Trade (Metals), Prince's Building, Hongkong.

## Funeral Of Captain A.C. Campbell

The funeral of the late Captain Alexander Charles Campbell, master of the s.s. Sai On took place on Saturday at the Colonial Cemetery, with the Rev. Cyril Brown officiating.

The deceased died on Friday at the Queen Mary Hospital at the age of 69 years.

Chief mourners at the funeral were the widow, Messrs. E. M. Marques and C. V. Marques (stepsons), Mrs. L. Castro, and Mrs. L. A. Peres, (step-daughters).

Others present were Captains A. W. Muir, W. Peritt, H. H. Williams, L. N. Beer, Messrs. J. C. Saunders, C. Trott, J. Lewis, P. S. Man, G. L. F. Allen, A. McKechnie, R. B. Rocha, S. B. Izatt, F. Elarte, W. R. Wilkinson, F. Hollands, A. White, A. Leonard, L. M. V. Ribeiro, G. F. Sprinkle, J. S. McKenzie, G. F. Robinson, M. E. Baptista, V. Marques, H. Silva, A. V. Gosau, and others.

#### FLORAL TRIBUTES

Floral tributes were sent by his wife, "Lizzie" and "Eddie," "John" and "Augusta," step-son Eddie, Buster, Arthur, Alrich and Sammy, Tony Peter, Henrique and Emily, Julia Achai and Kida, Charles, Yvonne, Sylvia, Vilina and Jo-Jo, Amalia and Carlos, Irene and George.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Olais and family, T. Donaldson and family, Mrs. J. Anderson and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hyder, Mr. and Mrs. O. Connor and family, "Romeo" Hanell, Robble Rocha, V. Espina, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rocha and family, Mrs. B. Price and family, Mrs. M. Brook and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. Leonard and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. Rodriguez and family, Mrs. Carmo, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Olais, F. L. Fenton, Capt. and Mrs. L. N. Beer, Mrs. Agnes McKechnie, Sgt. G. F. Robinson, Sgt. Hayward, Gustavo da Roza, Wan Kai and Wan Sing, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Silva, A. W. Muir, C. S. Parker, Marie and Alita Rodriguez, Mr. John Marshall and Johnny, Capt. A. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hollands, Lt. T. J. Rogerson, R.N.R., Laikwan Atchak, Lok Bo-shan, Fazal Din and Fazal Mohd. Mr. J. Watson, Mr. P. S. Man.

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## K.C.C. DINNER AND SMOKING CONCERT

### Len Soper Is Star Of The Show

Kowloon Cricket Club held a dinner and smoking concert on Saturday night with a feature of the evening a "Grand Variety Show" sponsored by Mr. Easterbrook, Royal Navy, by kind permission of Hon. Capt. A. C. Collinson, R.N.

Len Soper directed, and proved also to be the star of the show, contributing an Opus No. 1 on the Piano that had the house in an uproar. The turn consisted of an interpretation on five varying notes of the tune, "Show Me The Way To Go Home" and proved a regular pants.

Les Gibson and The Great Marvin vied with one another as Masters of Magic and each proved a master with his particular bag of tricks.

The "Bits and Pieces" troupe put on a number of humorous sketches, giving the whole show a continuity that kept it entertaining throughout. The players were Eric Philpott, George Arliss, Tass Willard and Cary Grant, while songs were contributed by Charlie Mist, Lyle Colbert, Bill McGrath and Tass Willard.

Clarke, revealed at an interview that of the 81,010 registered deaths in 1940 18.2 per cent. were due to starvation diseases.

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## Committee To Study Colony War Taxation

It has been learned that the following will comprise the committee to study and report on the advisability of replacing the War Taxes by a regular Income Tax in Hongkong, or, in the event of Income Tax being considered not applicable, ways and means to increase the yield of the existing War tax:—

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster (Chairman), The Hon. Mr. R. R. Tood (Financial Secretary), The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, junior, The Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, The Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong, Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Mr. E. M. Bryden, Mr. A. G. Clarke, Mr. Thomas Black, Mr. L. Kadoorie, Mr. Kwok Chun, Professor R. Robertson, Mr. D. J. Shoss and Mr. K. M. A. Barnett (Secretary).

The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell is at present away from the Colony on leave.

#### CORRECTIONS

It was inadvertently announced in our Saturday's issue that the following weddings took place, on Friday, before Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar of Marriages: Pte. Herbert Green, 1st Bn. Middlesex Regiment, Nanking Barracks, Shamshui-po, and Miss Morry Lou, of No. 143, Sai Yee Street, ground floor, Mongkok.

Mr. Saturnino Berlio Lobato de Faria, clerk, residing at Homunthi, and Miss Maria Gloria Rosario, teacher, of No. 12, Austin Avenue, Mr. Elias David Sykes, engineer, of No. 16, Battery Street, and Miss Lo Mow-ying (alias Nelly Sykes) of the same address.

The above should have been announced as "Forthcoming wedding." We regret any annoyance that might have been caused to the parties concerned.

## Communal Kitchen To Cater For Colony's Poorer Class

Under the auspices of the Equitable Rice Sales Committee, Hongkong's first Communal Kitchen to cater for the poorer class will soon be functioning, it was authoritatively learned.

Work is now being carried out to establish the kitchen in the basement of the Wanchai Market and it is hoped that it will be ready for use before the end of the month.

## COLONY LABOUR CONDITIONS

### REPORT SUBMITTED TO HOME EXPERT

Mr. E.C.K. Hawkins, Hongkong Labour Officer, has returned to the Colony after an absence of two weeks in Penang. While in Penang he had a conference with Major Ord-Browne, Labour Adviser to the Colonial Office, and according to Mr. Hawkins, instructive discussions took place.

Major Ord-Browne, who is touring different parts of the Colonial Empire with the object of personally observing and receiving reports on labour conditions, was not able to visit Hongkong and Mr. Hawkins was sent to Singapore to meet him there.

A full report on the labour conditions in Hongkong was given to Major Ord-Browne by Mr. Hawkins.

Cooked rice and "sungs" will be sold at cost price, the aim of the Committee being to provide the poor with two meals a day at the lowest possible price.

The operation of this Communal Kitchen will be experimental to test the cost of fuel needed to run such an establishment, with a view to preparation of plans for a chain of similar kitchens throughout the Colony to feed the population in the event of an emergency.

#### STARVATION DISEASES

The toll of deaths from starvation diseases has increased to a marked degree during the past year and it is not an uncommon sight to see nowadays a man, apparently a refugee and in the last stage of starvation, being picked up by an ambulance.

It is hoped, however, that with the measures taken by Government in regard to the control of the prices of two essentials, rice and fuel, some alleviation would be forthcoming for the poorer members of the community.

The Director of Medical Services, the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn,

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NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, 4th AUGUST, to MONDAY, 18th AUGUST, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
W. F. SIMMONS,  
Secretary & Assistant  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 25th July, 1941.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 6/NS. 9889 dated Hongkong, 29th October, 1940, for seven shares of this Bank numbered 63580/63582 and 7976/7979 in the name of Mrs. Ethelle Muriel Dowling, Certificate No. 6/NS. 9890 dated Hongkong, 29th October 1940 for two shares of this Bank numbered 7980/7981 in the name of Mr. Wilfred Murray Theobald, and Certificate No. 6/NS. 9891 dated Hongkong, 29th October 1940 for seven shares of this Bank numbered 7982/7987 and 60985 in the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Lyona Lancaster have been LOST or STOLEN, and should these certificates not be produced to the Bank before the 13th September, 1941, new Certificates for the shares will be issued and the aforesaid Certificates Nos. 6/NS. 9889, 6/NS. 9890, and 6/NS. 9891, will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Board  
of Directors,  
V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 13th August, 1941.

## FINNS REPORT THE CAPTURE OF SORDAVALLA

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Finns report the final capture of Sordavalla, north-west of Lake Ladoga, on Friday night.

They say that the town was almost undamaged by the Russians and that the Finns delayed the capture owing to the desire not to damage the town with heavy artillery.

It is claimed that the Russians are now deprived of the west side of Lake Ladoga, but admitted that with the complete mastery of the lake, the Russians are able to withdraw.

The Finns are now said to be only about 10 miles from Dexholm.

## THEFT FROM CAR

Mr. S. W. P. Perry, of No. 10 Peak Road, reported to the Police yesterday that between 7 and 8 p.m. some person stole from his car, parked outside St. John's Cathedral, a basket and a leather bag containing golf balls, shoes and clothing to the total value of \$50.

## WALLET LOST

Mr. Deban, of the Royal Naval Hospital, reported to the Police that he had lost or stolen from his person about 9 last night, between Hotel Cecil and Majestic Ballroom, a leather wallet containing \$38 in money.

## BIRTH

JOHNSON.—On the 22nd of July, at St. George's Nursing Home, Bombay, to Frances Mabel, (nee Stevenson), wife of W. D. Johnson, Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, a daughter. From "TIMES OF INDIA" July 23rd, 1941.

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## "OSTRICHISM" IN HONGKONG

THE HONGKONG PUBLIC was recently compared by a well-known American journalist, and quite rightly we think, with the ostrich, with its head buried in the sand and repeating to itself "It cannot happen here." At the same time, the powers-that-be have been credited with being very wide-awake guardians of this Colony. We have no quarrel with the latter statement, as it is generally conceded, by even the severest critics of the local administration, that officialdom cannot but be alive to the potential dangers that threaten to disturb the peace and tranquillity and security of the Colony. Neither has there been any doubt in the minds of the high-ranking officials of the military and civil services of the steps that will have to be taken in the event of Hongkong becoming involved in the present gigantic struggle that is taking place between the forces of Democracy and Totalitarianism.

IT IS, however, where its own domestic affairs are concerned that the Government displays even greater ostrichism than the public does. They appear to labour under the delusion that by the simple expedient of passing numerous legislative measures, vice and crime can be entirely abolished and that the mere effect of such steps will cause all offences against the established laws of the Colony to eliminate themselves. We have a most glaring example of this ostrichism in the so-called abolition of the mui-tsai (slave-girl) system and the social evil. The Government solemnly asserts that there are no more mui-tsais in the Colony and those who were once classed under this name are now "wards"—a fanciful, but meaningless, interpretation, insofar as the girls themselves are concerned. The greatest farce, however, is the official attitude in respect of the social evil and the existence of houses of ill-fame in Hongkong. With the passing of the necessary legislation, prostitution was, in the Government view, effectively stopped. The women and girls of 13 and 14 who nightly parade the Central, Wanchai and Kowloon districts, are now merely looked upon as "women and girls of loose morals" and the houses in which they carry on this oldest of professions are blandly permitted to be termed "boarding houses"—just another case of calling a spade by another name.

THERE ARE OTHER instances of this official ostrichism as is apparent in the continued existence of illegal "controls" and the failure to

## "New Zealand Will Stand Shoulder To Shoulder With Motherland"—Mr. Fraser

"If in spite of every effort to maintain peace in the Pacific, total war should reach New Zealand and Australia, I am certain that the same calm and unflinching courage which has ennobled the motherland will be shown by us. New Zealand will stand shoulder to shoulder with the United Kingdom to the end and that end will be victory," said MR. PETER FRASER, Prime Minister of New Zealand, in the course of a recent broadcast from London.

"During the past few weeks," said Mr. Fraser, "I have seen for myself in many fields the war effort of the United Kingdom. I have met hundreds of New Zealanders effectively participating in these activities. I have attended meetings of the War Cabinet and had discussions with Ministers of the Government and Members of Parliament, officers of the army, navy and air force and many other men in public life here.

## WORKING TOGETHER

"I have visited munition factories and aeroplane works, ship-building yards and docks. I have talked with men and women and lads and girls working to further all these efforts. I have seen the Home Guard and the A.R.P. workers, the fire-fighters and the Red Cross Units and ambulance drivers, the volunteer workers and all others engaged in helping Britain on to victory.

"What are my impressions and what have I learned from all this? I am afraid I cannot do justice to my feelings and emotions even if I had the same number of hours to tell you about them—to tell you how thousands of men and women are working for the freedom of mankind."

Mr. Fraser referred to what he described as the enduring courage of the people in all their sufferings, particularly to the manner in which those who had been bombed out of their homes were continuing calmly to carry on with their daily duties.

## NOBLE COURAGE

"That is a fine indication of the noble courage that is sweeping Britain as a whole," said Mr. Fraser. "Such people cannot be terrorised, cannot be cowed, cannot be conquered. Great work is being done in the field, the factory and the workshop.

"The change over from peace economy to war economy is a gigantic task and reflects very

recognise the numerous rackets which are being carried out practically under the very nose of officialdom. The Government is satisfied that profiteering has been checked and the steady increases in the prices of essentials are due, it is steadfastly argued, to advances in freight charges and "replacement" costs. The cost of living, the Government is convinced, is only up 25 per cent—the public knows it has doubled and trebled. House rents are at the lowest possible level, but even the existence of the Rent Restriction Ordinance has not prevented landlords in one district from raising their rents from \$22 to \$65!

THE REFUSAL of minor officials of the Government to recognise the flaws in their departments and their resentment at these being pointed out to them can only be attributed to this ostrichism. Repeated requests by the press for information or confirmation or denial of rumours are met with such comments as "You know more than I do," "That is the first I have heard of it" or, at the best, "I know nothing about it." If these public servants would only take a more realistic attitude and realise that the public is entitled to some sort of information on domestic policy, it would be an encouragement to the people to withdraw their heads from the sand and, in turn, to take a sober view of local affairs.

great credit upon the administrators, planners, the workers and the country as a whole. I have seen men and women working efficiently and diligently—their work is just as essential as that of the soldier. I have seen young lads and girls, who two or three months previously had never handled machine tools learning to do it and doing it well, because they know we have to win this war. The nation is, indeed, organised in every way for victory."

Mr. Fraser said that where good work was done it was at once recognised and this was an indication of the new spirit that had been born in the country.

## EMPIRE REPRESENTATIVES

"At various times I have met men from other parts of the Empire," said Mr. Fraser. "Practically everywhere I meet New Zealanders passing into the air force, navy or army units, many of them with decorations.

"In every major operation, New Zealand is represented and their daring and courage has been unsurpassed. All free peoples are now co-operating to relieve the world from the menace of aggression and they know it is their duty to work together to this end.

"I want to say a word about the situation in the Pacific," continued Mr. Fraser. "It is certainly serious and there is still time for wiser counsels to prevail in Japan. If, in spite of every effort to maintain peace in the Pacific, total war should reach New Zealand and Australia, I am certain that the same calm and unflinching courage and determination which has ennobled the motherland will be shown by us. New Zealand will stand 'shoulder to shoulder' with the United Kingdom to the end and that end will be victory," concluded Mr. Fraser.

## Women's Home Army In Australia

SYDNEY, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Mr. P. C. Spender, War Minister, announced that the War Cabinet has authorised the establishment of a women's home army with the object of releasing from certain military duties men whose work can be done by women.

It was not proposed to send women overseas.

## "TYPICAL FLIGHT OF FANCY"

SINGAPORE, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—An official statement was issued today by Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, C-in-C, Far East, regarding rumours emanating from Japan that he had threatened Thailand with the use of force.

"A typical flight of fancy," he said, "and I deny it emphatically. There is not an atom of truth in it. I endorse the statement made yesterday by Sir Josiah Crosby, British Minister to Thailand, that we have made no demands whatsoever on the Government of Thailand."

## THAI ENVOY

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Phy Sri Sena, the present Thai Minister to Tokyo, is expected to be named the first Thai Ambassador to Japan, according to the Asahi Shimbun correspondent in Bangkok.

## VICHY HELPING GERMANY

The latest Gallup poll in America shows that 58 per cent. of the American people believe that the Vichy regime is helping Germany and only four per cent. that it is helping Britain, says Reuter.

CHUNGKING, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Japanese planes were again active over Yunnan when two waves of nine bombers attacked Hsinchuan, on the Burma road, between 11 a.m. and noon. The alarm was sounded in Kunming but no planes appeared over the city.

## NEWSETTES

It is learned that Mrs. N. L. Smith, wife of the Hon. Colonial Secretary, is leaving for Home soon.

Saturday, September 6, is to be observed as an additional General Holiday, according to a Notice published in the Government Gazette.

Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, Commissioner of Police, will address the Hongkong Rotary Club tomorrow on "A Policeman Looks at Chungking." On the following Tuesday, Aug. 26, the Club will hold a Closed Meeting.

## ONE REGISTRY WEDDING

The marriage took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, on Saturday, before Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, of Mr. Ronald Chee Chang-ke, clerk of the National Cash Register Co., H.K. residing at No. 25 Jordan Road, ground floor, and Miss Kwok Fun-hel, of No. 11 Wal Ching Street, first floor.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—

Mr. Ka Yuk-tong, clerk of the China Navigation Co., Coal and Store Godown, North Point, and Miss Chan Yuk-sun, teacher, of No. 48 Bridges Street, second floor.

Cpl. Leonard Munsey, R.A.O.C., and Mrs. Chan Lai-chun, widow, of No. 60 Tai Street, third floor, Kowloon City.

## INVENTIVENESS IS ENCOURAGED

SIMLA, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Indian inventiveness, directed particularly to improving the equipment of the forces, is fully encouraged by the Supply Development Committee.

Ideas found promising are recommended for detailed research by the Ordnance services.

## HIT BY TRAM

Knocked down by a tramcar at Des Voeux Road, near Cleverley Street yesterday, Tai Ho-ping, of No. 7 Stewart Road, third floor, was sent to Queen Mary Hospital suffering from head injuries. He was discharged after treatment.

## Colonel Britton Appeals To The "V" Army To "Go Slow"

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Appealing to the "V" Army to "go slow" in production at Nazi war factories, Colonel Britton, in his weekly broadcast from London, said:

"Let us see that only one German tank and one German plane come out of the factory where there were two before—one truck of coal go into Germany where two went before."

"Everything you do which helps the Germans you should do slowly. We in Britain are working hard to make weapons which will destroy the Nazis.

"So are the Russians, Austrians, Canadians, South Africans and the Continent of India, and so are our good friends the Americans."

Emphasising that Germany was short of labour, Col. Britton said that, "France is making for the Nazis tanks, planes, lorries, railway engines, parachutes and gas masks. Frenchmen are mining coal for Hitler—and magnesium.

"Belgium is making ships for Hitler. Holland is making Stuka dive-bombers, ships and wireless apparatus. Dutchmen are mining coal.

"Czechoslovakia is making armaments of all kinds for the Nazis, including tanks and guns. The Czechs are hewing coal for the German war machine.

"Poland is making for the Nazis aircraft, cars and lorries, and in Silesia the Poles are hewing coal.

"Yugoslavia is producing copper, magnesium, coal and chrome for the Nazis.

"Greece is producing nickel.

"Norway provides the Germans with aluminium and fish oil. The Germans have ordered skis from Norway to help them through the winter's struggle with Russia. German ships are repaired in Norwegian shipyards.

"And Denmark repairs German ships and makes diesel engines."

Colonel Britton added he would have more to say next week about the "go slow" attack on Germany's war machine.

## MILITARY EXERCISES IN BRITAIN: CO-OPERATION BETWEEN ALL SERVICES

The splendid co-operation that exists now between the fighting services and the civil defence services in Britain, as proved during recent large-scale manoeuvres held in Scotland was emphasised by Capt. Cyril Falls, military correspondent of The Times, when he broadcast from London on Saturday.

Capt. Falls said that he had been given an opportunity of witnessing these exercises while taking a short holiday in Scotland. It was the most interesting thing he had ever seen since the war began. He had seen everything there was to see and had also had the benefit of listening to comments and criticism made by the Army Commander.

## CIVIL DEFENCE TEST

"This exercise was designed as a test for the civil defence services as well as for the army," said Capt. Falls. "From the civil side it was more important than on the military side. The scheme was that a German invasion had taken place in a district in Scotland and that it had been preceded by heavy bombing with high explosive and incendiaries and gas attacks on industrial cities and towns."

Capt. Falls then described what he had witnessed at the main control station and how he had watched the different units get to work as if the German bombing had actually been in progress.

"The work went on all night and into the next day," continued Capt. Falls. "Some hours before the dawn, air-borne landings were supposed to have succeeded in the first stage and simultaneously larger forces which had been placed on the land came to life."

## QUICK CONTACT

"Later, a number of detachments, supposed to be parachute troops, appeared and attacked vital points. The defence was standing to and was quickly in contact with the enemy. You can imagine that this fighting was extremely fast.

"There were senior officers who acted as umpires and we were always up to date with what was happening. Realism was added by the large numbers of the Home Guard who crowded the roads and the Army Commander's car was stopped at least fifteen times that morning.

"Of course, as in every other exercise, the work of the troops

and Home Guard was better in some places than in others. Some of the invaders made good ground, showing great initiative and one body of Scots changed their uniforms and succeeded in getting into Headquarters where they held up a body of Home Guards. In most cases, however, the invaders did not fight solidly enough, but most of the attackers did really well.

## WORK OF POLISH UNIT

"I was struck by the way in which the defence was carried out by the Polish units. Nearly everything was against them. The invaders were moving forward and the Poles had to find out where they were and what they were doing, and to make some estimate of their strength.

"At the beginning everything went right for the invasion, but the Poles put a different complexion on affairs before long. They did not wait to make sure of the strength or dispositions, but the moment they got a rough idea of the situation, they counter-attacked as quick as lightning. They realised the danger of allowing the invaders to make themselves at home and so they went all out to smash them up.

"They made mistakes, of course, but they did not lose any opportunities or waste time. This was my first view of the Poles and I certainly thought they were good practical soldiers.

"I do feel sure that these exercises are going to be very useful. I am sure that practice and co-operation between the army and the Home Guard and the Civil Defence Services will be invaluable if the real thing should ever come along," concluded Capt. Falls.

## SANITARY VAN IN COLLISION

While turning into a Sanitary Department garage at Waterloo Road, a van belonging to the department was involved in a collision with private car No. 2857 resulting in both vehicles sustaining slight damage.

Shum Sun, aged 31, the driver reports at 11.35 a.m. yesterday he gave a signal to turn left when the car overtook his van on the left, hitting the left mudguard.

## MILITARY COURT OF INQUIRY

It is reliably learned that the Military Court of Inquiry into the accident in which a Volunteer (the late Bombardier Dennis Edward Smith) was fatally injured and several others admitted to hospital, will be resumed when some of the chief witnesses are discharged from hospital.

The Court will endeavour to determine the cause of the accident which occurred on Cape d'Aguilar Road on Tuesday night, and it is not known yet whether the Coroner will order an inquest.

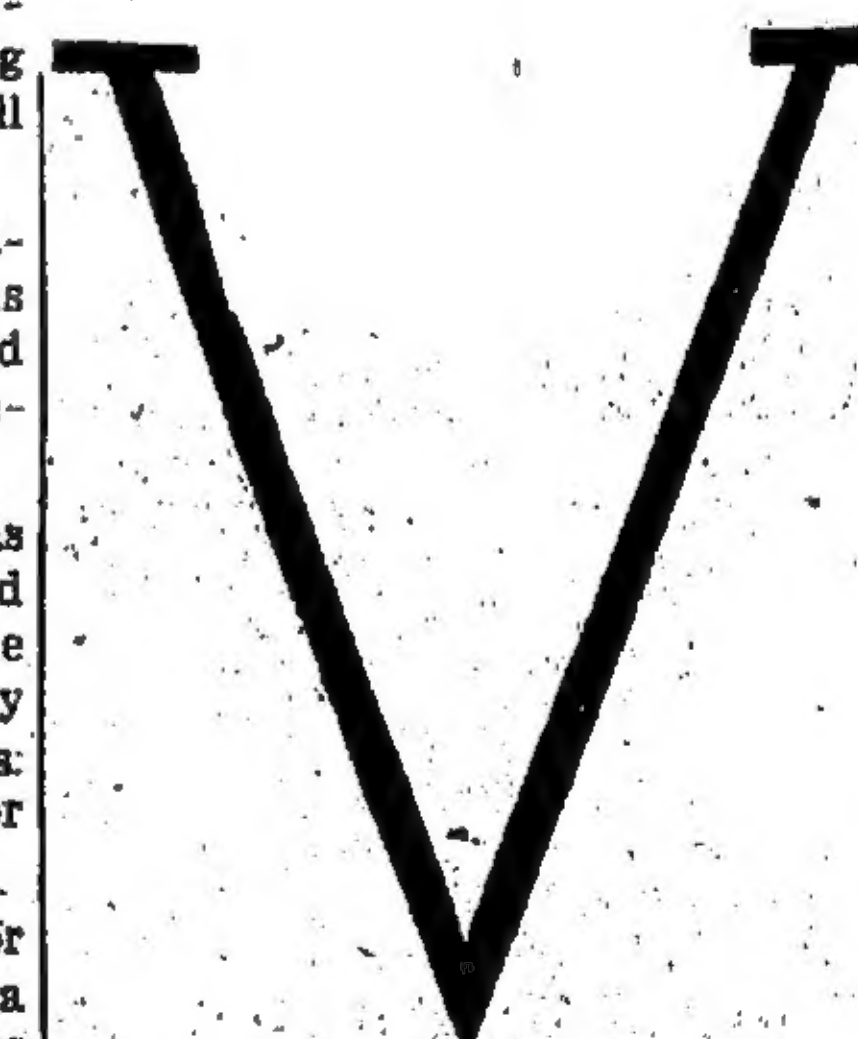
## FATAL INJURIES TO HEAD

The body of a 13-year-old Chinese lad was found in the early morning yesterday at the junction of Ice House Street and Lower Albert Road and was sent to the Public Mortuary.

The boy, later identified as Mak Choi-tak, residing at No. 17 Lee Yuen Street West, first floor, and who had been sitting for some time, was going to the Public Gardens when, apparently stepping on some oil on the roadway, slipped and fell, injuring the back of his head which proved fatal before help could be summoned.

A referees class, under the auspices of the Hongkong Referees' Association, will be held this evening at 7 p.m. at Scandal Point Hall.

A dilemma after four years of futile war on China is linked with international problems.



Have you put up your "V" sign yet?

## PRELUDE TO POLITICAL UPHEAVAL

CHUNGKING, Aug. 17 (Central)—The attempt on the life of Baron Kichiro Hirayama, Minister without portfolio in the Japanese Cabinet, might mean the prelude to a turbulent political crisis in the days to come, in the opinion of Chinese students of Japanese affairs.

These observers believe that the dastardly act was instigated by the radical elements in the Fascist clique whose list of "must go" Ministers probably includes the whole Cabinet with the exception of Suzuki, Togo and Okawa.

It is emphasised that Japan's dilemma after four years of futile war on China is linked with international problems.



## RUSSO-GERMAN THEATRE OF WAR



The ninth week of the Russo-German war began yesterday with the Nazis claiming the capture of Nikolayev, 70 miles north-east of Odessa, on the Black Sea.

## War's Most Bitter Phase Reached

One of the war's most bitter phases has been reached, writes Reuter's Special correspondent in Moscow.

For the second successive time, a Soviet midnight communiqué speaks of severe fighting along the whole front without specification of particular areas and without mentioning the names of places.

The Soviet Press, on Saturday referred to the fighting "from the Arctic Ocean to the Black Sea."

The communiqué's wording suggests that fighting is intense in much more than one direction.

## ALL-OUT EFFORT

We are clearly witnessing Hitler's all-out effort before the unfavourable weather season. There was only a very slight raid on Moscow this morning and none on the two previous nights, and this suggests that the German air force is heavily otherwise engaged, no doubt on the battlefield itself.

An announcement that Hitler has personally arrived on the eastern front suggests that the Germans consider the present battle decisively important.

The chief interest is focussed on the Ukraine where this afternoon's communiqué reports that fighting was "especially stubborn" during the night.

Indications are that, whereas the Smolensk front shows a slight stabilisation with the Germans digging in for the present, the principal thrusts are directed against Russian industrial power and communications.

A thrust towards the latter is directed not only at interfering with supplies to the Army, but also at dislocating the country's economic life.

## IMPORTANT STORES

The German anxiety to cut off the Nikolayev region is significant

of their hopes of capturing, or at least, of depriving the rest of Russia of important grain stores they believe to be situated there.

Nikolayev also interests them on account of important naval shipyards. There is no indication whether the Germans have succeeded in advancing any further towards the iron ore and metal-lurgical region inside the bend of the Dnieper where it is expected Soviet troops will make their stand after their abandonment of part of rural Western Ukraine.

The orderliness of this retirement is clearly implied by the absence of any authoritative German claims to have taken prisoners on a large scale.

It seems that Marshal Budenny is applying here the classical retreat strategy of Marshal Kutusov, Prince of Smolensk, who opposed Napoleon at that place in November, 1812.

## ECONOMIC DISLOCATION

An attempt at economic dislocation can also be seen in the German attempt in Staraya, Russia and in a further push towards the Moscow-Leningrad railway.

So far, they have been totally unsuccessful in achieving this long standing ambition. Conclusions at present are difficult and the next few days will show if the Germans have again unduly extended their communications and will require a new breathing space, which will enable the Russians to prepare effective counter-attacks.

Partisan or guerrilla warfare continues successfully, especially in the north and west where forest land makes conditions more favourable than in the flat and forestless Ukraine.

## ROOSEVELT TELLS OF EPIC SEA PARLEY

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Washington) were belagued and a great crowd of reporters, cameramen and radiomen assembled early.

At the Press conference, Mr. Roosevelt said that Mr. Churchill was not visiting the United States nor did he (Mr. Roosevelt) intend to go to Britain for a while.

Col. Starling, Chief of the White House secret service contingent, and a large number of secret service police were in evidence in Rockland some hours prior to the President's arrival and Municipal Police and State troopers were allocated the duty of guarding the President's route.

President Roosevelt's yacht Potomac docked shortly after 2 p.m. (local time) just as the sun emerged from the clouds after a dull morning.

As soon as the yacht had moored it was announced that a Press conference would begin aboard the Potomac immediately.

Mr. Harry Hopkins, the Lease and Lend Administrator, sat in a corner of the wardroom where the conference was held.

**EMINENTLY SUCCESSFUL**  
In the course of the conference President Roosevelt described the meeting with Mr. Churchill as eminently successful.

Mr. Roosevelt stated that he and Mr. Churchill were in complete agreement on all aspects of the war situation and the next step would only be further inter-change of ideas.

The President gave no indication of any action that might be taken to implement the statement of the policies enunciated by Mr. Churchill and himself, but he did not think the United States was any closer to entering the conflict as the result of the conference.

Mr. Roosevelt remarked that it been foggy however and if submarines had fired torpedoes they would not have been sighted.

Mr. Roosevelt said that the idea of meeting the British Prime Minister originated in February and was a joint idea. The campaign in Greece and Crete had delayed it about three months.

**UNDER NAZI REGIME**  
Mr. Roosevelt said he thought one thing had been overlooked in his joint statement with Mr. Churchill.

chill, and also comment thereon, and that was the need for an exchange of views on what was happening all over the world under the Nazi regime.

The more that this is discussed and looked into, said Mr. Roosevelt, more and more terrible the thought becomes of having those influences at work in occupied or affiliated nations. This thing needs to be brought home more and more to the democracies.

Mr. Roosevelt said that he was not sufficiently familiar with the French situation to comment on it, but disclosed he would discuss it, and also conditions in the Far East, with Mr. Cordell Hull soon after he returned to Washington today (Sunday).

**REMARKABLE SERVICE**  
Mr. Roosevelt referred to the remarkable church service held on Aug. 10 on the quarterdeck of the battleship Prince of Wales.

Everyone present felt it had been one of the great historic services. It was conducted by a British and an American chaplain.

Regarding aid for Russia, Mr. Roosevelt said that there had been discussion of fitting the Russian needs to an already existing programme. Russia would not be given Lease and Lend aid because she could pay for war equipment.

Mr. Roosevelt gave the names of representatives of the three fighting services who had accompanied him and they had held individual and group conferences with corresponding representatives of Britain.

The new Lease and Lend programme was still in its "study stage" but it was nearing the point where additional funds would be sought to finance aid to the democracies.

Mr. Roosevelt declined to disclose the whereabouts of Mr. Churchill.

**RADIANTLY HEALTHY**  
During the conference, Mr. Roosevelt was looking radiantly healthy and sat completely at ease smoking cigarette, had a friendly greeting and flashing a smile for each newspaperman as he entered the conference room.

Mr. Roosevelt, as he stepped ashore wearing a heavy grey tweed suit was greeted by an enormous crowd who gave him a rousing reception.

## CHINA BUILDING UP RICH NEW EMPIRE IN INTERIOR

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Four years of war have brought about radical changes in China and one of the most important lessons the Chinese have learned from their travail is that the country can be saved only by its own efforts.

Another change, says The Times correspondent in China, is the building of a rich new empire in the interior of China, where the Government is fast erecting a huge "fortress" with full-grown industrial and transport resources into which it can retreat if driven out of the coastal areas.

Perhaps the third greatest change is the breaking down of provincialism. The rivalry between provinces has been replaced by a common urge to repel the invader and rebuild China.

The attitude of the people towards soldiers has also undergone transformation—instead of "vermin" the Government armies today are regarded as saviours.

The Chinese are still in the field because they have been incapable of accepting the idea of defeat. Although the Japanese deny China is fighting for democracy the Chinese instinctively feel their struggle is for the right to have their own form of government.

The same "awareness" of the people has extended to the outer world as a result of the war, and it is no longer surprising to find a schoolboy or peasant in the interior able to give views on China's part in the world conflict.

**POOLING THEMSELVES**  
The Japanese generals continue to delude themselves that they can "wind up the China incident" regardless of what has happened to the populace in the last four years.

If the war in China has demonstrated nothing, else to the Japanese it ought to have shown them the wisdom of allowing soldiers to run the country's affairs.

The Chinese masses want an Allied victory because they need no telling that it is indispensable to China's future peace, security and prosperity.

Though China's struggle for freedom has exacted a terrible toll of human life and misery the Chinese are still unshaken and have come through the ordeal with renewed faith in the destiny of their ancient land.

Least of all did the Japanese expect when they invaded China that the vast amorphous mass of Chinese would be welded into a nation imbued with a strong new purpose.

The completed process cannot fail to have profound effects in the finer and freer world for which the Democracies are now fighting.

## Agricultural Position In Britain

## RECORD HARVESTS THIS YEAR

The agricultural position in Britain was commented upon by MR. E. A. MONTAGUE in his weekly commentary broadcast from London last night.

"I have spent the last week in a Cotswold village watching the biggest harvest on record being gathered in. Four million acres of grassland have been ploughed up," he said.

"Agriculture," he added, "has been in a bad way for many years."

The big war-time change in Britain's agriculture was that not so much was being left to individual farmers but to a committee. They could also command the money, machinery and labour to carry out big schemes.

By their help and under their direction more fertilisers were put in the land. There were 40,000 more tractors than before the war. The productivity of our arable land had been increased. Many farmers had been told to grow all the fodder they could.

**REDUCTION OF SHEEP**  
There had been a reduction of sheep on the farms, a bigger reduction in pigs and an even bigger reduction of poultry.

He did not know, said Mr. Montague, how many thousands, or perhaps, millions of acres of land had houses built on them. It had been a pretty good job but it had cost land which we hoped could have been agricultural today.

The present Government had stated that agriculture would not be allowed again to get into the dangerous state in which it has been.

We were now getting out record harvests and soldiers were helping in the big task. Even civilian workers were putting in their holiday time for the new job on the land.

**JAPANESE CIVILIAN SHOT DEAD**  
SHANGHAI, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—A Japanese civilian, Tatsunobu Aoki, an employee of the Toyoda Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, was shot dead by two Chinese gunmen last night in the Yangtseppoo district of the Japanese-occupied part of the International Settlement.

One gunman was arrested and was handed over to the Japanese landing party.

## Faster &amp; Better Cooking

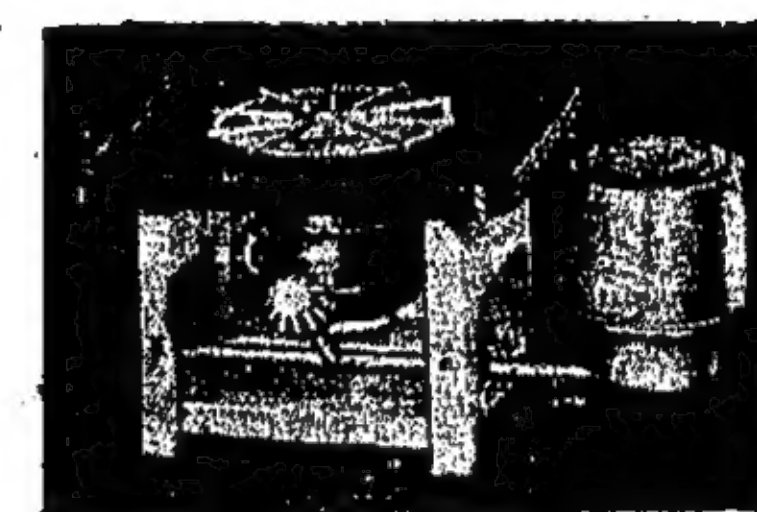
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[HARDWARE DEPT.]

## CHINA EMPORIUM

## VICEROY VISITS DEFENCE WORKS

BOMBAY, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—The Viceroy, Lord Linlithgow, visited important defence works and inspected a Bassett trawler and a mine-layer under construction.

These works have, since the commencement of war, repaired and refitted more than 700 merchant ships as merchant cruisers, troop transports and mine cutters, besides supplying 7,000 tons of steel work for other smaller defence factories.



LORD LINLITHGOW

During a visit to General Motors, addressing the workers not only as Governor-General but also as a soldier serving in the last war, the Viceroy recalled the shell shortage then and said:

"It is up to you this time to make good the shortage rapidly. I count on you for that and every soldier in the line today is confident that you will not let him down."

**ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION**  
He especially appreciated the spirit and determination to do the utmost in this great struggle.

He was given an enthusiastic reception by the workers and spent nearly an hour inspecting various departments where thousands of chassis and cars' bodies and shells were turned out for India's defence and also witnessed an A.R.P. demonstration by a General Motors unit.

**WORKERS' PLEDGE**  
BOMBAY, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—A large brochure containing the signatures of thumb prints of 3,000 workers, pledging support to the Empire's war effort and promising their utmost to increase the production of Army vehicles was presented to Lord Linlithgow, the Viceroy, when he inspected General Motors assembly plant here yesterday evening.

The Viceroy watched a procession of 100 new vehicles—the day's production—as they rolled off the production line.

## Issue Of Philippine Independence

## BEING DEBATED BY BOMBS

MANILA, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—The issue of Philippine independence is at present being "debated in the Atlantic Ocean, on the fields of Russia and in munitions factories—it is being debated by bombs," asserted MR. MANUEL QUEZON, President of the Philippine Commonwealth, when he appeared in person for the first time yesterday since his illness in response to his nomination for the next Presidency.

He said that he would serve if elected, but would not campaign. Referring to Philippine independence, the President declared that while Filipinos have not abandoned the ultimate goal, the question is no longer in the hands of Filipinos, or "anyone else but God."

The Philippines would be independent if as a result of the war, the rights of small nations are safeguarded. On the other hand, if as a result of the war, small nations are placed at the mercy of big Powers, Filipinos might as well bid good-bye to independence.

"Our country is a democracy, we believe in the democratic way of life and we therefore go with America in life or death."

## QUEZON &amp; OSMENA RE-NOMINATED

MANILA, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—President Manuel Quezon and Vice-President Osmena have been nominated unanimously for reelection by the Nacionalista Party after reaffirming its stand for Philippine independence in 1946.

## Poisoning On Japanese Liner

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (Reuter)—Captain Toichi Takasata, of the Tatsuta Maru which is scheduled to arrive in Yokohama late tonight, has notified the Quarantine Office that five third class passengers died of ptomaine poisoning and that 150 others were affected, following a supper last night, according to reports reaching here.

Quarantine officials are ordered to stand by with medical aid when the liner arrives.



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## THREE-POWER CONFERENCE IN MOSCOW IS MOOTED TO DISCUSS THE DEVELOPMENT OF MATERIAL RESOURCES

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—The suggestion that there should be a meeting in Moscow, at which high British and American representatives could discuss with the Kremlin the matter of urgent war supplies for Russia, and an assurance that meanwhile Russia would continue to receive supplies and materials as rapidly as possible, were contained in a joint message sent to Stalin by President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill during their recent meeting.

## WAR ON ENEMY SHIPPING

### DUTCH SUBMARINE'S SUCCESSES

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Another enemy supply ship has been sunk in the Mediterranean by a Dutch submarine operating with the British Fleet.

Announcing this, the Netherlands Admiralty in London yesterday said the vessel was of 5,000 tons and was fully laden.

An enemy sailing vessel of about 1,000 tons was also sunk.

Dutch submarines in the Mediterranean have now sunk 26,000 tons of enemy shipping.

Fleet Air arm planes have successfully attacked an enemy convoy in the Mediterranean, a destroyer and merchantships being torpedoed.

The crew of the destroyer were later seen being transferred to another ship and it is believed she was sunk.

Two merchant-ships, of 8,000 and 3,000 tons, are also believed to have been sunk.

### TWO INTERCEPTIONS

Two further enemy supply ships have been intercepted by British patrols which continue their oceanwide sweeps for enemy shipping, an admiralty communique stated yesterday.

The vessels were the German steamer Norderey (3,867 tons) and the Italian steamer "Stella" (4,272 tons).

## Treatment Against Poison Ivy

Poison ivy thrives in places beyond the reach of the plough. Just like many holiday makers, it prefers a locale least disturbed by man in sequestered nooks and rocky beauty spots. At the same time it may be found growing under a variety of conditions, wet or dry, shaded or open, in all soils from pure sand to stony ground, and along fence borders in cultivated land. It has many guises.

It may appear as a low shrubby patch, or as a more or less continuous border, or as a cluster like the Virginia creeper. Commonly it is of low bush growth, and it can best be identified by the formation of its leaves which are arranged in threes after the manner of the strawberry. Unlike strawberry leaves, those of poison ivy are quite smooth and firm or leathery, with the edges sparingly coarse-toothed.

In that respect, the leaves are somewhat like those of the Virginia creeper, which, however, are arranged in fives.

The active element of poison ivy is poisonous throughout, and the breaking or bruising of any part of the plant liberates the oil in it to come in contact with the exposed skin of the person touching it.

### MILD ITCHING

In mild cases of itching as a result of the poison, immediate scrubbing with strong laundry soap will effect a cure, if used before the oil has penetrated the skin and blisters begin to appear. Treatments without number have been proposed and used, but the treatment most widely recommended is to dab the affected parts with a three per cent. solution of potassium permanganate.

The stain left by the potassium will disappear after a time or may be removed slowly by soap and water. Tincture of iodine has also been found useful but it stains more than the potassium. Once blisters have been formed, all rubbing should be avoided.

When the attack is severe, and a doctor is not available, care should be taken to localise infection by painting iodine round the edges of the sores or by using compresses soaked in a two per cent. solution of aluminium acetate or any other cooling substance like soda or boracic acid.

## FREEDOM, SOCIAL SECURITY OF MANKIND

### MR. ATTLEE GIVES AN ASSURANCE

LONDON, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—"You will not find in declarations which have been made on behalf of the Government of this country on the war any suggestion that the freedom and social security for which we fight should be denied to any of the races of mankind."

So declared Mr. C. R. Attlee, Deputy Prime Minister, speaking at a reception given in his honour by West African students in London. Mr. Attlee emphasised that the declaration of principles which he had made on Thursday applied to all races of the world, coloured as well as white.

"We in the Labour Party," he said, "have always been conscious of the wrongs done by the white races to races with darker skins."

### OLD CONCEPTION

"We have been glad to see how with the passing of the years the old conception of colonies as places inhabited by inferior people whose function was only to serve and produce wealth for the benefit of other people has made way for juster and nobler ideas."

"On Thursday I was privileged to announce the declaration of principles which apply, I believe, to all the peoples of the world."

"Our enemies, the Nazis, set up a monstrous and ridiculous racial doctrine. They declare themselves to be a master race to which the rest of us are inferior, and if they assert that claim in respect of Europeans you may be quite assured they are going to apply it to everyone else, Asiatics, Africans and everyone."

Mr. Attlee assured his listeners that "we fight this war not just for ourselves alone but for all people."

### TWO EVILS

"We want to lift from all peoples those two great evils of fear of war and fear of want."

"I look for an ever-increasing measure of self-government in Africa and for an ever-rising standard of life for all the peoples of Africa."

## DRAINAGE REGULATION

The following addition is made to Regulation 25 of the Drainage Regulation.

Whenever a drain is intended to carry (a), any matter likely to injure another drain or sewer or to interfere with the free flow of its contents or to affect prejudicially the treatment and disposal of its contents or, (b), any chemical refuse or waste steam, or any liquid of a temperature higher than one hundred and ten degrees Fahrenheit, being refuse or steam which, or a liquid which when so heated, is, either alone or in combination with the contents of a drain or sewer, dangerous, or the cause of a nuisance, or prejudicial to health or, (c), any petroleum spirit, or carbide of calcium, it shall be provided with a neutralising tank, or cooling tank, or both as the circumstances may require, sited and designed to the satisfaction of the Building Authority.

## LOCAL ESTATES

The late Mr. Thomas Petrie, who died on Mar. 8, 1940 at No. 5 Ravensbourne Avenue, Shoreham-by-Sea, Sussex, left local estate worth under \$6,100. An application by Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, solicitor, the lawful attorney, for sealing certified copy of the probate of the will has been granted.

Local estate valued at \$22,100 had been left by the late Mr. Neil Lang, formerly chief engineer of the Douglas Steamship Company, who died on board S.S. Helyang at Colombo, Ceylon, on Dec. 25, 1940. A petition by David Laird Lyle, engineer, and Clarence Lempster Farmer, mercantile assistant, for grant of the probate of the will has been granted.

Mrs. Che Ling-shi, alias Ling Yee, alias Che Ling Cheuk-lin, a 78-year-old widow, who died at No. 8 Bonham Road, ground floor, on Nov. 1, 1940, left local estate valued at \$45,900. A petition by Mak Kwok-may, widow, for grant of probate of the will has been granted.

Proof of what Soviet airmen can do."

## MIDWIVES ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

The following is the draft Bill of an Ordinance to amend the Midwives Ordinance, 1910.

Be it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Midwives Amendment Ordinance, 1941.

2. Sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Midwives Ordinance, 1910, is amended by the substitution of the words "eight other persons, two of whom shall be certified and enrolled midwives under this Ordinance," for the words "six other persons."

3. Sub-section (2) of section 4 of the Midwives Ordinance, 1910, is amended:—

(i) in paragraph (a) (iii) by inserting the following words after the word "training":—

"(including such training after enrolment, at such intervals and for such periods as the Board may prescribe);"

(ii) in paragraph (e) by inserting the following words after the word "misconduct":—

"or of any midwife who, in the unanimous opinion of the Board is so inefficient, by reason of her refusal or neglect to attend and complete to the satisfaction of the Board a course required by any regulations for training after enrolment, that it would be inimical to the interest of patients to allow her to continue to practise."

4. Section 4 of the Midwives Ordinance, 1910, is amended by the addition of a new sub-section at the end thereof:—

(3) Upon any inquiry by the Board in connexion with the removal of the name of any midwife under paragraph (e) of the preceding sub-section, such midwife shall be entitled to appear and to be heard by counsel or solicitor.

### OBJECTS AND REASONS

1. Section 4 (1) of the principal Ordinance provides for the establishment of a Midwives Board consisting of the Director of Medical Services and six other persons appointed by the Governor.

2. All seven members of the Board are fully qualified medical practitioners and it is not considered desirable to reduce the number of members so qualified as it is from members of the Board that examiners for the certificate are drawn.

3. At the same time it is considered desirable to permit midwives to be represented on the Board by certain qualified members of their own profession.

4. Clause 2 of this Bill, therefore, increases the personnel of the Board to nine, two of whom will be certified and enrolled midwives.

5. Section 4 (2) of the principal Ordinance enumerates the powers and duties of the Midwives Board. Paragraph (a) (iii) empowers it to make regulations, subject to the approval of the Governor, regulating the course of training and the conduct of examinations. Paragraph (e) empowers it to decide upon the removal from the roll of the name of any midwife for disobeying the regulations or for other misconduct, and upon the restoration to the roll of the name of any midwife so removed.

6. Doubts have been expressed as to whether the powers in the said paragraph were sufficiently comprehensive to authorise regulations providing for post-graduate training or for the removal from the roll of those not attaining the standard of proficiency required by such post-graduate training regulations.

7. Clause 3 of the Bill amends the two paragraphs so as to remove these doubts.

8. Clause 4 of the Bill is the long-established rule that no one is to be condemned unheard.

## INDIAN BAND WINS PRIZE

An Indian military band won the first prize for the smartest turn-out at the harvest carnival held at the Jewish Settlement near Haifa.

The Band led a procession at the opening of the carnival at which tractors and other farming machines were paraded. The Officer Commanding the Band, in thanking the judges, disclosed that the Band previously won the second prize at an all-India competition.

Many visitors, including Arab, came from neighbouring villages to see the show, says Reuter.

## PUBLIC HEALTH (SANITATION) ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

The following is the draft Bill of an Ordinance to amend the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935.

Be it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Public Health (Sanitation) Amendment Ordinance, 1941.

2. The following section is inserted in the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, as section 86A immediately after the heading "Recovery of expenses by the Council":—

86A. The owners and occupiers of all tenements for which a departmental conservancy service is provided shall be liable to the Crown for payment of the fees prescribed by law for such service, but the same shall be deemed an occupier's fee and as between the owner and occupier of any tenement shall, in the absence of any agreement to the contrary, be borne by the occupier; and the amount thereof, if paid by the owner, may be recovered by him from the occupier in an action for money paid to his use or, if he is still in occupation of the tenement, by distress in the same manner as for rent.

3. Section 88 of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, is amended by the insertion immediately after the word "expenses" in the second line thereof of the words "and also to the recovery of all such fees as are mentioned in section 86A."

### OBJECTS AND REASONS

Resulting from the recent decision of Government whereby the Urban Council has organised a departmental system for the collection of nightsoil, it is necessary to make provision for the recovery by the Council of payment of the fees charged by the Council for such collection and which are set out in Government Notification No. 787 of June 27, 1941.

Clause 2 of the Bill makes the necessary provision, it is practically identical with that made under section 33 of the Rating Ordinance, 1931, for the recovery of rates.

Clause 3 is consequential on clause 2.

## TELEPHONE CO. DENIES RUMOUR

It is learned that the Hongkong Telephone Company has denied the rumours that the company was planning to adopt at an early date, the call system under which the subscriber is charged for every call put through.

The Secretary said that the suggestion, which was made in the report to the annual meeting, was still in the air.

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## "NORWEGIANS & DEMOCRACY"

Such is the title of a first page review in NEW YORK TIMES

recently, of Florence Jaffray Harriman's book MISSION TO THE NORTH. (J. B. Lippincott, New York). And it is a good title because both the book and the review tell about democracy in action, democracy as a living reality, and thus goes to the very heart of the all-important issue facing the world today: Popular Government and freedom versus dictatorship and mechanical barbarism, writes Wilhelm Morgenstierne.

What must surprise and delight the reader of Mrs. Harriman's book is the fact that in such a comparatively short time she succeeded in penetrating the surface and in getting down to so much that is essential and vital in Norwegian life. She did what all diplomats would do well to follow, she considered herself "accredited to all the (Norwegian) people."

As a reward her human approach met with immediate response. She gained the confidence and goodwill of men and women in all walks of life and thereby access to their thoughts and their way of life. For this reason MISSION TO THE NORTH has become essentially a true book, and therefore, one of permanent value.

The main reason why I write these lines, however, is to emphasize that to my mind MISSION TO THE NORTH has an urgent mission here and now. It presents in a most illuminating way what those values really were which in Norway and other democratic, liberty-loving countries went down temporarily under the

heel of the brutal aggressors. In these pages come to life Norway and the Norwegians before April 9, 1940—a peace-loving, hard-working people, "strong in its inner life, rich in experience of all but military force."

### NO FREEDOM

Today there is for the Norwegian people no freedom, no justice, no security, no protection against the arbitrariness and brutality of the invaders and their puppets. Tomorrow this might well be the fate of the entire civilized world. If the still free democratic nations did not join forces to stop the enemies of mankind and civilisation before it is too late.

Mrs. Harriman's book has an urgent and vital message, to all those who believe that "The Wave of the Future" is NOT the brutal, soulless barbarism of the Nazis, but is instead further progress along the Norwegian and American way of life.

And the Norwegian people—according to The New York Times, "a nation which was great in its humanity, where humanity was beaten down in brutal conquest, but surely cannot die"—will be ever grateful to Florence Jaffray Harriman. From their cruel bondage they will recall how in happier days she came to us as the official representative of our great sister democracy, how she left 3 years later as our devoted friend and how now in the hour of our greatest need she tells the world the truth about Norway and proclaims her faith in the resurrection and the future of the Norwegian people.







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## RUSSIAN BOMBING OF BERLIN

LONDON, Aug. 13.—The PHILADELPHIA EVENING PUBLIC LEADER of Aug. 11, on the bombing of Berlin by Russian planes, says:

"It is a double injury to German pride to be bombed by the despised Russians. The German people always suspected that Hitler could come to terms with England before the worst came to the worst."

"Now they see that England is making a common cause with Russia and actually diverting American-made heavy bombers to the Soviet Air Force. They also see Hitler the infallible guesse wrong."

"The Russian armed forces, scheduled to be destroyed in four weeks, are fighting past the time limit. Train loads and plane loads of German wounded arrived from the eastern front."

"The fateful signs, portents of morbid superstition, are confirmed by the Soviet birds of ill omen flying arrogantly over Berlin."

## U.S. Women Missionaries Strangled

SHANGHAI, Aug. 17 (Reuter).—Private reports reaching here, so far without confirmation, state that American women missionaries belonging to the United States Presbyterian Mission in North Kiangsu province were strangled to death.

No news to this effect has reached either the local office of the Mission, the local military authorities or American consular officials.

The same private reports state that six or eight American missionaries of both sexes and about 250 Chinese patients have been driven out of the American mission hospital by the Japanese authorities.

## FIRE FIGHTING ON SHIPS IN HARBOUR

Under the title of The Merchant Ships (Defence and Fire Fighting) Order 1941, the Controller of Water Transport has issued the following instructions for fire fighting on board ships in the Colony's harbour.

Directions under this order may be given by the Commodore or by a Flag or Naval Officer in charge of naval establishments in Hongkong, or by any officer authorised in writing by any of the aforementioned officers.

Subject to any directions under this order, there shall be kept in every ship while in any port in this Colony such members of the crew or, when articles have been added, such a number of men, as are necessary to man the fire fighting appliances of the ship.

When directed by any officer named in paragraph 2, there shall remain on board every British ship while in any port in this Colony such members of the crew or, when articles are added, such a number of men, as are necessary to man the defensive equipment of the ship.

## Japanese Suffer Major Reverse In South Honan

CHUNGKING, Aug. 17 (Central).—A major reverse has been suffered by the Japanese in southern Honan where their recent drives were repulsed with over 2,000 casualties and the loss of considerable equipment.

On Aug. 8, some 5,000 Japanese troops, aided by a cavalry detachment and dozens of field guns, pushed from Sinyang, strategic south Honan city on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, in separate columns towards Muchun, Wuchiatien, Chenchiastien, Choshan, Pingchangkwan, Kucheng, Heishan and Shenyangtai, all north-west of Sinyang.

Encountering strong Chinese resistance, the Japanese columns were separately checked on Aug. 10. In spite of their repeated vigorous attacks during Aug. 9 and 10 the Japanese failed to make any appreciable advance. One column which pushed toward Chingliangssze from Huangtupo sustained severe losses due to heavy Chinese artillery fire.

On Aug. 11, the Japanese, in a desperate effort to break through, threw in the full weight of their force in an assault on Yangtai and Choshan but were again held in check. Meanwhile, crack Chinese detachments made a detour to the Japanese rear and launched a general counter-attack on the evening of Aug. 12 which resulted in the routing of the entire Japanese force.

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Firing practice, as under, is notified for Aug. 19:—

(a) Heavy gun anti-aircraft practice in the south-eastern area of the Island between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.  
 Firing Area "C" will be affected. Alternative dates—Aug. 20 and 21.

(b) Heavy gun firing practice by H.M. Royal Navy in JUNK BAY between 9 p.m. and midnight.

Firing Area "A" will be affected.

Light gun anti-aircraft firing practice will be carried out on Aug. 23, between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the eastern area of the Island.

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